THE WEATHER.

Fair today; Monday clearing and colder; moderate east to south winds.

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MEN "HIGHER UP" MADE PRISONERS

Indictments Issued Against Three Prominent Labor Leaders.

THE DYNAMITE CONSPIRACY

Men Taken in Custody Were Witnesses in Government Dynamite Inquiry—More Indictments Are Expected.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 30.—Charged with conspiracy in transporting dynamite in violation of the Federal interstate commerce laws, three labor leaders, Olaf A. Tveitmoe, secretary of the State Building Trade Council; J. E. Munsey, leader of the Salt Lake Union of Structural Iron Workers, and Anton Johannesen, organizer of the State Building Trades Council, were indicted today by the Federal grand jury in connection with the alleged Nation-wide dynamiting conspiracy. Their arrest followed.

For some time they have been here as witnesses in the government dynamite inquiry. They were arrested in the witness room in the Federal building a few minutes after the indictments were filed by Judge Wellborn's court.

The true bills under which the men were taken prisoners were but a part of a packet containing an unknown number of indictments. Deputy marshals were sent out immediately and it was said other arrests were imminent, both here and in San Francisco.

Oscar Lawler, the special prosecutor was not present in court. It was said he had gone East, probably with county District Attorney John D. Fredericks, who left for Indianapolis early today.

Fredericks took with him suit cases that were supposed to contain evidence gathered for use in the McNamara trial.

Statement by U. S. Prosecutor.

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—Olaf Tveitmore, indicted today in Los Angeles, is the secretary of the State and local Building Trades Council and president of the Asiatic Exclusion League, which spreads over the Pacific coast. He is also editor of the local building trades journal, "Organized Labor," and member of the executive board of the National Brotherhood of Cement Workers, which he organized. Tveitmore, who is a Norwegian, came to this country when a young man. He obtained his secretaryship in the Building Trades Council about 10 years ago.

Anton Johannesen served as a model for the hero of a recent labor novel. He has a more powerful following in Chicago than in San Francisco. He was early a leader in the labor movement in Chicago while an officer of the Wood Workers' Union.

His politics were then extremely radical and he created a sensation in the convention of the American Federation of Labor in Pittsburg by denouncing Gompers as a non-progressive.

While in Chicago Johannesen was noted as the opponent of the "sluggers" advocating peaceful methods of dealing with the non-unionists.

The action of the grand jury had a visible effect upon Tveitmore. He was pale when taken into the United States marahal's office.

"Who will you have for your attorneys?" Johannesen was asked.

"Blamed if I know. We've had too many attorneys already," he replied with a laugh.

United States District Attorney A. I. McCormick announced that in addition to Tveitmore, Johannesen and Munsey, indictments returned by the grand jury named E. A. Clancy, the McNamara brothers, Ortie E. McManigal and Schmidt and Caplain.

"And the grand jury has not finished its investigation by any means," he said.

Oscar Lawler, special government prosecutor, dictated before his departure a statement to be given out after the first arrest. The statement says:

"Notwithstanding emphatic protestations on the part of certain so-called labor leaders of opposition to the dynamiting practices indulged in by the McNamaras, not one of them has lifted a hand to aid the law in their efforts to discover the truth. On the contrary, here has been exhibited a decided disposition to impede such efforts.

"The name of organized labor has been prostituted by a band of criminals, and it seems to those conducting the investigation that unless labor leaders, who assert that they were deceived by the McNamaras, publicly demand from the latter and all others a full and complete exposition of every detail of their dastardly operations, whoever may be implicated thereby, and thus demonstrate a genuine respect for the laws which have been so ruthlessly violated, doubt as to the good faith of such assertions are amply justified.

"The aid of District Attorney Fredericks and his associates, as well as that of Mr. McLaren, of the Burns forces, has been involved and is most deeply appreciated."

Harbored McNamara in Home.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 30.—It has been asserted repeatedly by detectives employed in the McNamara case that J. F. Munsey, indicted in Los Angeles today in connection with the al-

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ECONOMY PLAN TO BE [illegible] AGAIN

Democrats Want to Cut Out President's Traveling Expenses.

A LIVELY DEBATE PROBABLE

Appropriation of $225,000 for Tariff Board and $75,000 for Economy Commission May Be Eliminated

Washington, Dec. 30.—Democrats of the House of Representatives plan to eliminate from the next sundry civil appropriation bill the $225,000 appropriation for the President's tariff board, the $75,000 appropriation for the Economy Commission and the $25,000 appropriation for the President's traveling expenses.

Democratic members of the appropriations committee are understood to be unanimous in the elimination programme and they believe that the cutting out of this expenditure of $325,000, all of which is under the direction of the President, will meet with approval of the majority party in the house.

The sundry civil bill will be ready for submission to the House in January and the Democrats plan to defend denial of the quarter of a million appropriation for the tariff board on the ground that the very principle of a tariff body under the direct supervision of the President is undemocratic. They further will point out that the constitution gives to the House of Representatives the power of initiative in revenue legislation and will contend that a Presidentially controlled tariff board practically amounts to a usurpation of this power.

The House Democratic leaders have an economy plan of their own and will insist that the maintenance of the Economy Commission is a waste of time and money. They will argue that the House expenditures committee for the various departments of government can take care of any economies that may be needed if members of the cabinet fail to discover extravagances of administration. As far as the President's traveling expenses are concerned, the Democrats feel that the annual appropriation of $25,000 for that purpose is being used against the Democratic enemy and they propose to cut it off for that reason. These eliminated items are certain to provoke lively discussion when the sundry civil bill is reported.

SIX KILLED IN WRECK

Great Northern Railway Train Wrecked in South Dakota

Sharon, N. D., Dec. 30.—A Great Northern Railway train known as the "Oregonian," was wrecked four miles west of Finley today with a loss of at least six lives and the injury of 13 persons. The wreck was due to a broken rail. The train left St. Paul this afternoon for Seattle.

On the train in his private car was J. M. Gruber, general manager of the Great Northern Railway. He escaped unhurt. His car went off the track but remained upright.

Great Northern officials tonight report the dead as follows:

Mrs. Martha Keeter, Kalispell, Montana; male passenger, not identified; two-year-old child of J. Bailey, agent of the Great Northern Railway, at Bottineau, N. D.; Albert Lodge, cook in dining car; Joseph Mosher, cook; M. Mahoney, brakeman.

Of those injured only two are seriously hurt, it is said, and none will die of wounds. All live in the west, except James Riley, of New York, who was bruised.

The dining car, the tourist car, and the first and second day coaches turned over and the first three rolled down a 20-foot embankment.

The tourist car caught fire from the stove and was burned. The dining car also caught fire and was destroyed. Futile efforts were made to put out the flames with fire extinguishers, snow and wet blankets.

The fatalities all were in the dining car. Physicians were rusned from Sharon and Finley and the injured were hurried to those places.

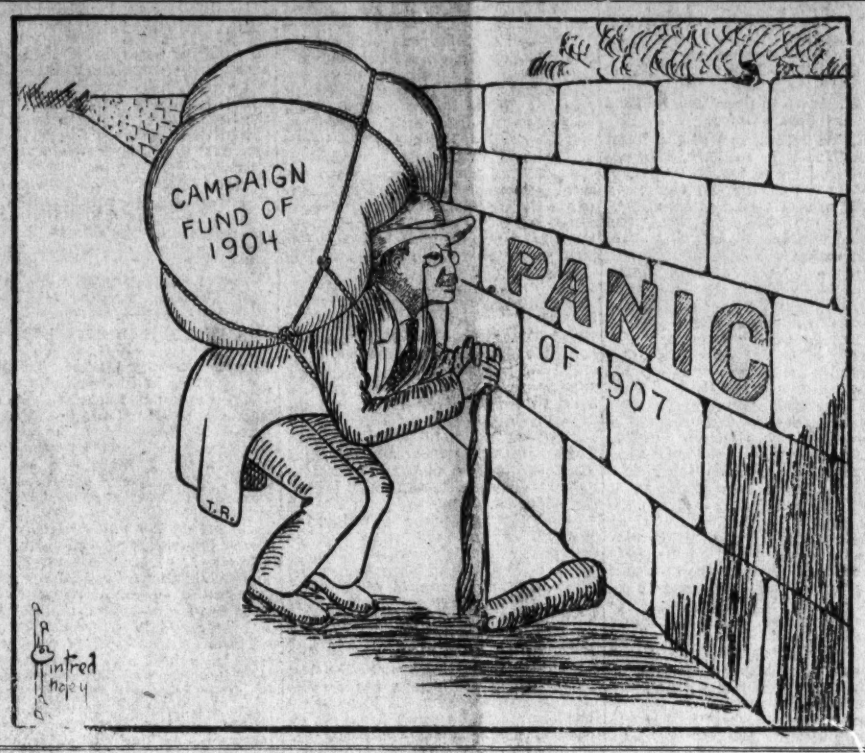
Wrecking crews expected to clear the track by morning.

Interest Quarter at American National Bank.

Deposits made on or before January 2nd will draw interest from January 1st and will receive credit for the full quarter on April 1st. 4 per cent. compound interest paid. Uncle Sam's Bank—Designated Depository for the Postal Savings Fund. This is also Dividend period with the American National Bank—their shareholders are today receiving dividend checks for New Year. Why not you (if you are not already a depositor)? Resolve to Start the New Year Right? The Youngest and most progressive National Bank in this section will gladly welcome you and you will be tickled to death at the treatment you receive. **

A Special Invitation

Is extended to you to open a savings account with the People's Savings Bank on Tuesday, January 2nd, the beginning of their next regular interest quarter. Make an effort to begin the new year with a bank account. **



SUN YAT SEN HAS CONTROL

China's Provisional President Receiving Many Congratulations and is Guest at Receptions and Banquets.

Shanghai, Dec. 30.—The rapid developments which have occurred since the arrival here of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, newly elected President of the Chinese Republic, are almost bewildering but careful observation demonstrates that the provisional President controls the situation. Today he received a large number of congratulatory despatches from Europe and America, while locally he has been tendered numerous receptions and banquets.

Throughout the day he received a stream of prominent callers and was entertained at dinner tonight by 40 of the principal Japanese commercial men here and some visitors to Shanghai.

One of the significant developments today occurred at a conference between Tang Shao Yi, who came here as Premier Yuan Shi Kai's representative and Dr. Wu Ting Fang, leader of the Republicans at the peace conference, when it developed that Premier Yuan Shi Kai has authorized Tang Shao Yi to ignore the imperial edict calling the National convention. This leaves the arrangements for the National convention entirely in the hands of Tang Shao Yi and Wu Ting Fang.

It is understood in authoritative quarters that the convention will be held within ten days and that the delegates will be practically the same as those who elected Sun Yat Sen President of the Republic at the Nanking convention on December 29th. Possibly, however, delegates from Mongolia and Tibet will be added.

Wu Ting Fang asserts that all the delegates now in Nanking are properly accredited by either the governors of the provinces or by the provincial assemblies.

Dr. Sun informed the Associated Press that the assertion that the future programme of the revolutionists involves the separation of the Chinese provinces into autonomous Republics was entirely erroneous. According to their plans a strong central government is to be organized and a Parliament representative of the people elected. Each province will select its own governor. No provincial armies are contemplated, as both the army and navy are to be made National institutions and will be under the control of Parliament in the same way as the finances.

The entire governmental system is to be remodeled and modernized and the fiscal system is to be adjusted on up-to-date methods. The income of the country is ample to discharge its liabilities and to defray ordinary expenses.

Construction of a system of railways and roads is to be pushed forward as rapidly as possible, care being taken to avoid arousing the suspicions and prejudices of the masses of the people who must first be made to feel that the future of China is dependent upon the Chinese themselves. They must also be taught self reliance.

There is reason to believe that Dr. Sun and his advisers fully realize the magnitude of their task and also that the main details, including the selection of strong executive officials and organizers, have been decided upon. Most of them, it is assumed, have been associated with Dr. Sun, but up to now have not been definitely appointed.

Dr. Sun has doubtless discussed his full programme with prominent men in Europe and America. His principal adviser, however, has not yet come to the front.

Premier Will Go Slow.

Peking, Dec. 30.—Yuan Shi Kai received several foreign correspondents together this evening in the Wait Wupu building, where he has both his office and residence. The approaches were heavily guarded by soldiers with fixed bayonets. Tents covered the grounds surrounding the building. The Premier, who is believed to be constantly in danger of assassination and therefore takes the utmost precau-

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STEPHEN G. BRAGAW APPOINTED

New Superior Court Judge For First District—Pardon to Alamance Youth — Robeson County Railroad—Other Notes

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 30.—Stephen C. Bragaw, of Washington, N. C., is the new Superior Court judge for the first judicial district to succeed Judge George W. Ward, who resigned. The appointment of Judge Bragaw was announced by Governor Kitchin this morning and his commission is effective January 1st, his first court to be January 8th in Raleigh. The contest for the judgeship has been sharply drawn between Judge Bragaw and Col. W. C. Rodman, of Washington.

The contractors are pressing the work of repairing the wreckage done to the Express building through injudicious excavations for the big quarter million dollar State building and they expect to have the place secure and danger of further collapse removed within a day or two. It will cost probably $1500 to repair the damage done the Express building which is a part of the Tucker estate. This work will give the regular progress on the placing of the concrete foundations of the State building a set back of a week or two through having to stop to take care of the Express building.

Governor Kitchin grants a pardon for Richard Neville under five-year sentence in Alamance county. He was implicated in stealing a mule. The judge, solicitor, eight jurors and a large number of citizens joined in the appeal for the pardon on the ground that the prisoner is only 22 years old and proved a good character and believe the pardon will prevent a miscarriage of justice.

The Pembroke Red prings and Northern Railroad Company was granted a charter today to construct and operate a railroad from Pembroke to Red Springs Robeson county a distance of twelve miles. The authorized capital is seventy-five thousand, with J. L. McMillan, W. J. Johnosn and others incorporators.

Joseph L. Seawell, the newly appointed clerk of the North Carolina Supreme Court, succeeding the lamented Col. Thomas S. Kenan, announces the appointment of Weldon T. Smith as assistant and stenographer. Under the new order of things there will be no deputy clerkship.

OUTLINES.

Several prominent men testified yesterday before Justice Wright in the Buck's Stove and Range Company against labor leaders——The House Democrats will attempt to cut out appropriations for the Tariff Board, Economy Commission and the President's traveling expenses——Some of the men "higher up" were arrested in Los Angeles yesterday in connection with the dynamite inquiry, and it is very probable that other indictments will be issued by the government——Yesterday Senator LaFollette entered President Taft's own territory and delivered addresses to good crowds. He attacked the legal construction of the Sherman law which, he said, restricted labor unions and privileged capitalists——A wreck on the Great Northern Railway in South Dakota yesterday caused the death of at least six and a number seriously injured——President Taft stopped over in Philadelphia yesterday on his way to attend the peace dinner at New York and delivered the address at the dedication of the new Wanamaker building.

New York markets: Money on call nominal. Flour steady, with business slow. Wheat, spot irregular, No. 2 red 97 1-4 elevator, export basis, and 97 3-4 f.o.b. afloat. Corn, spot steady, export, new, 68 5-8 f.o.b. afloat. Rosin steady. Turpentine firm. Cotton nominal.

Ladies attend the half-price sale at Polvogt's in their suit and millinery department. **

TAFT VISITS PHILADELPHIA

Dedicates Wannamaker Building—Lays His Hand Reverently on the Liberty Bell—Holds a Reception.

Philadelphia, Dec. 30.—President Taft, on his way to attend the Peace dinner in New York tonight, spent three hours in Philadelphia this afternoon, and during that time made an address dedicating the new building of John Wannamaker; held a reception in the offices of the Philadelphia Public Ledger, and visited Independence Hall, where he reverently laid his hand on the old Liberty bell. He was warmly greeted by the people who chanced to be on the streets he traversed in going from place to place. The route he was to take through the business section of the city was not generally known and the persons in the every-day throngs on the streets did not know that the President of the United States was among them until they heard the clatter of the horses of the Philadelphia city troop, which was the President's honorary escort.

The President spent more than two hours in the Wannamaker establishment where the dedication exercises were held in the presence of thousands of persons. At the conclusion of the exercises the President held a reception. Then he proceeded by automobile to the Public Ledger office, where he met George W. Ochs, editor and publisher, and the entire staff of that newspaper. The reception was held in the offices once used by the late George W. Childs and which were visited in Mr. Childs' time by Presidents Grant, Hayes and Cleveland.

While in the Ledger offices the President expressed a wish to visit Independence Hall, across the street, remarking that he had not been at the "Cradle of Liberty" since way back in the seventies. Flanked by John Wannamaker and Mr. Ochs, the President proceeded to the old building, while the police hurriedly opened a way through the crowd. Mr. Taft first entered the room where the Declaration of Independence was signed, and placed his name in the visitors' book. After taking a look at the portraits of the forefathers hung about the walls and the quaint, colonial furniture in the room, he next stepped in the rotunda and stood at the glass case enclosing the historic bell. The old guard on duty opened the case and the President laid his ungloved hand on the old, cracked relic, an honor which the guardian of the bell gives to no visitors.

The President then hurried to the railroad station and left for New York, where he was scheduled to speak.

"MARSE" HENRY ON PEACE

The Ratification of the Peace Treaties Endorsed

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 30.—That the notion that war makes for manly development is at variance with all history, was largely the burden of an address delivered here tonight by Colonel Henry Watterson, who advocated the ratification of the pending peace treaties between the United States, England and France. Colonel Watterson spoke to a large audience and was heartily applauded throughout his address. At the conclusion of Mr. Watterson's speech, Major J. C. Hemphill, editor of the Charlotte Observer offered a set of resolutions which were unanimously adopted, endorsing the ratification of the peace treaties.

Thousands of People.

Will receive interest on January 2nd at the People's Savings Bank. This is the regular interest quarter of this strong old savings bank, and all deposits made there Tuesday will receive three months interest on April 1st. **

Attend the half-price sale at Polvogt's in their suit and millinery departments. **

TAFT'S TERRITORY IS BROKEN INTO

Senator LaFollette Made Extended Addresses Before Good Crowds.

TALKS IN DEFENSE OF LABOR

Attacked Judicial Construction of the Sherman Law Which Restricts Labor Unions—Should be Amended

Cincinnati, Dec. 30.—Senator La Follette invaded President Taft's own territory today. The Progressive candidate for the Republican nomination for President stopped at Hamilton, Butler county, drew together a crowd filled the hall in which he spoke, and after a brief reception by the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce, entered President Taft's own city in a drizzling rainstorm.

In Hamilton, although arrangements for the meeting had been made too late to permit any extended notices, a skating rink hastily outfitted with chairs, was well filled. Senator La Follette, with watch in hand, announced that he would talk but half an hour, but warmed into his speech and talked nearly three times as long. His voice had become husky and he gave evidence of being fatigued by the first week of his speech-making tour.

At Music Hall here today he attacked the judicial construction which brought labor unions under the restrictions of the Sherman anti-trust law.

"It is strange," he said, "that when the court goes to its farthest limit in imposing penalties on combinations of capital, all of the capitalist owners get away with the full value of their property, but when the court goes to the same limit in enforcing penalties on combinations of labor, it takes away the homes and savings of the guilty ones.

"The fact is, the law was not understood by the people to apply to labor organizations and it is a mistaken judicial construction that has made it so apply. The law should be amended by taking out from under its operation all labor organizations and all employers' associations. The law should exclude entirely from its prohibitions the collective bargaining of labor unions and employers."

"Administration of the patent laws," Senator LaFollette said, should be placed in the hands of the commission with power to prohibit any unreasonable restraint." The commission, he declared, should have authority to prevent restraint of trade through any monopoly of natural resources and control over raw material.

"The greatest menace to competition at the present time," he said "is the control of credit and the concentration of money in the hands of those who control the trusts. Elasticity in our currency is imperative but any plan to secure it, like that of the proposed national reserve association, which puts control in the hands of the banks and the money interests, will strengthen the power of the trusts to get capital and to keep competitors from getting it.

"It will be the people's money that will give security to any plan and the people's money must not be controlled by those who on the plea of elasticity will use it to kill off competitors of the trust."

GOLF AT PINEHURST.

Cup in Eighth Annual Holiday Week Tournament.

Pinehurst, N. C., Dec. 30.—Chisholm Beach, of Fox Halls, defeated Robert Hunter, of Weeburn, for the president's cup today in the eighth annual holiday week golf tournament. The players were never more than a stroke apart throughout the entire play. They squared the match in the 18th hole and a pit cost Hunter the cup in the extra hole.

Filmore K. Robeson, the 14-year-old player of Rochester, N. Y., won the consolation from C. L. Becker, of Woodland.

STEAMER STRANDED.

Thistleroy, Aground Off Cape Lookout, Will be Saved.

Philadelphia, Dec. 29.—A dispatch to the Maritime Exchange here from Beaufort, N. C., says:

"British steamer Thistleroy from Tampa, via Galveston, December 21, for Liverpool and Cork, stranded on Cape Lookout shoal; weather fine; will save ship."

New York, Dec. 30.—One marriage to every 100 of population was the approximate wedding rate in New York during 1911, according to figures made public by the marriage license bureau after closing today for the year. During the 12 months there were issued 54,578 licenses, 3,145 more than in 1910.

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TROUBLES AT THE PEACE BANQUET

Echoes of Dissensions Which Marked Preparations Were Heard.

COL ROOSEVELT WAS ABSENT

Discussion of Purpose of Dinner—President Taft Had to Wait More Than an Hour in Private Room.

New York, Dec. 30.—Preceded by dissensions which seemed for a time to threaten a climax, anything but pacific, the Citizens' Peace Banquet tonight proved in realization everything that its name implied, so far at least as concerned its attendant conditions. President Taft, who was the guest of honor and chief speaker of the evening, while arguing for the pending arbitration treaties between the United States and Great Britain and France replied specifically to some criticisms recently made against the principles in those treaties. He also made answer to the charge of inconsistency lodged against advocates of the arbitration treaties who did not favor arbitration in the difficulty between the United States and Russia.

"Those of us who are in favor of these treaties have been criticised as inconsistent because we did not invoke arbitration in the recent difference with Russia," said Mr. Taft. "I am not entirely willing to speak as frankly as I might because my tongue is tied in a slight way by what we hope for in future negotiations. All that I can say is that if you will read the great argument of Elihu Root on the question on which the treaty should be terminated and why arbitration would not do, I am content to stand on his exhibit, and explanation of that.

"The truth is, the treaty itself contains contractural obligations on the part of the United States to recognize the doctrine of non-patriation and recognize the right of Russia to say that the naturalized Russian citizens in the United States should not lose their allegiance to Russia and could be punished for becoming naturalized citizens.

"Now, that was contained on the face of the treaty. It was in accordance with the doctrine that prevailed in the United States and that prevailed in Russia in 1832. The doctrine had been departed from by statute in the United States, but it remained in the treaty and we cannot, so far as a foreign country is concerned, in contractual dealings witeh her repeal a treaty by statute.

"Hence, it was stated in the notice of the termination of the treaty, made in accordance with the terms of the treaty that the treaty was so old that it was not responsive to the views of the two nations.

"Now, why, therefore, should we arbitrate a treaty of that sort in which we were met first and foremost by the proposition that 20 or 30 or 40 years ago, we repudiated it as an international matter?

"Therefore, I say that the inconsistency that is supposed to exist in our failure to invoke arbitration there does not exist and I commend to those who think it does a close perusal of Mr. Root's argument and of the treaty itself."

New York, Dec. 30.—With the Waldorf-Astoria humming with suppressed excitement and guarded within and without by a force of a hundred or more police officers, detectives and secret service men, the preliminaries to the Peace Banquet tonight savored almost as highly of the sensational as did the events of the week of turbulence among the promoters of the function.

There was trouble before the arrival of President Taft, the guest of honor, who reached here at 6 o'clock from Philadelphia, and was driven directly to the hotel.

Through some misunderstanding the dinner cards had not been delivered and the President, on reaching the Waldorf, was ushered into a private room and had to wait more than an hour while the committeemen tried to untangle the snarl and arrange for the seating of the more than 1,400 guests. Millard J. Bloomer, executive secretary of the arrangements committee, could not be found and before the difficulty had been adjusted both management and prospective diners became perceptibly agitated.

Echoes of the dissensions which had marked preparations for the dinner were still heard as the diners were assembling. The delegation from Washington was a disappointment in size, as none of the foreign ambassadors or other diplomats who had accepted invitations came.

Discussion of the purpose of the dinner—whether it was definitely to endorse the pending arbitration treaties—was also revived with the declaration by Congressman Richard Bartholdt, of Missouri, that he had intended staying away when told that the endorsement of the treaties was to be "side-tracked", but had decided to come when advised by the committee "that the purpose of the dinner had not been changed."

Further contr[illegible] to the discussion was also made today by Col. Theodore Roosevelt, about whose attitude

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NEW PASSENGER STATION

Atlantic Coast Line to Erect Quarter of a Million Dollar Building at Front and Red Cross Street—Contracts

Coming as a magnificent New Year's gift for the use of the citizens of Wilmington and the traveling public generally who visit this city, was the announcement yesterday morning from the office of President T. M. Emerson, of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company, that the company has authorized the erection of a handsome six-story stone and brick building at the northeast corner of Front and Red Cross streets, the first floor to combine all the features of a passenger station and the five upper floors to be utilized in providing additional offices. The cost of the building will be between $250,000 and $300,000 and work on the structure will begin within a few weeks.

Possibly no announcement of what 1912 has in store for Wilmington in a material way would have been received with more pleasure by the people generally of the city than that contained in the above paragrapa Wilmington has long felt the need of an adequate passenger station, but all efforts to secure one heretofore have proved futile. During the past few months the Chamber of Commerce, or rather its president, Mr. M. J. Corbett, has been busy in an effort to get the railroad to erect the new building, with the result that the important announcement of the plans of the company was made yesterday morning. It was stated at a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce about two months ago that conferences were being held with officials of the Coast Line and that it was hoped within a few weeks to be able to announce a decision on the part of the railroad to provide the much desired public utility. Inasmuch as the remark, which was made at the meeting by President Corbett, was given in The Star at the time, the public was not taken altogether by surprise when it was given out yesterday that a quarter of a million dollar structure is to be erected by the Coast Line. A successful termination of his efforts in this respect shows, within itself, that the administration of President Corbett has been one of results and only serves as an indication of what may yet be achieved before the fiscal year of the Chamber of Commerce comes to a close.

The property on the northeast corner of Front and Red Cross streets, where the new building will be erected, is owned by the Atlantic Coast Line, having been purchased some years ago, probably with a view of ultimately using it for the purpose of erecting a combination passenger station and office building. It embraces the lot upon which the Southern Express Co.'s office and the old residence just north are located. These buildings will be torn away and the Express Company will be provided with a more commodious and convenient office on the west side of Front street in the office building directly opposite the proposed new structure.

The plans for the new building were proposed by Mr. J. F. Leitner the well-known Atlantic Coast Line architect of this city, and a drawing showing the building, new concrete bridge, arrangement of tracks, etc., will be on exhibition in the window of the bank building, corner Front and Princess streets, about Wednesday of this week.

The plans provide a building strictly modern in every respect and fireproof. The first floor will be used entirely for the union passenger station, the other roads entering the city having perfected arrangements by which their trains will enter and depart from the new station under the system which prevails at present. On this floor will be located the waiting room, ticket office, baggage room, etc. The ticket offices will be at the intersection of Front and Red Cross streets while the waiting room for the white people will be on the Front street side and that for the colored people on the Red Cross street side of the building. There will be no connection between the two waiting rooms. The size of the waiting room for white people will be 48x64 feet and that for the colored people 48x48 feet.

There will be provided a driving space for carriage and automobiles, and this will be enclosed in glass and will serve as a fine protection in inclement or stormy weather. A granolithic sidewalk will surround the building. The walk will be ten feet in width on the Red Cross street side and 15 feet on the Front street side. A concrete concourse, 40 feet in width and 200 feet in length, will be constructed from the station building to the railroad tracks, spanning the tracks which cross Front street at that point. The concourse will lead to the tracks, where passengers will take the trains. The present shed over the tracks will be torn away and a series of umbrella-covered sheds will take their place. The bridge now used in getting to the union station will be torn away, but will be used for baggage, mail, express, etc.

The interior finish of the building will be attractive and will be in keeping with the size and character of the building. All of the usual features of a modern and up-to-date passenger station will be included, such as waiting room, retiring rooms, news stands, telegraph booths, etc.

The new building will be diagonally across the street from the principal office of the company, which is four stories in height, and will be directly opposite the four-story office building erected a few years ago at northwest corner of Front and Red Cross streets. The new structure will complete a trio of handsome office buildings.

President Emerson, when asked yesterday when the actual construction work would be commenced, stated that the contracts are now being let, that is, bids have been called for and all will probably be in hand within eight or ten days. The contract will then be awarded and the contractor will be expected to commence right away the work of erecting the building.

In connection with the contemplated new building on Front street it might be stated that it is hoped to begin the improvement on Front street, which was authorized some months ago, some time in the near future. Front street is to be improved with modern pavings from the bridge at the union station to Castle street, a distance of 11 blocks. The materials have been shipped and the contractors are ready to begin the work as soon as the vitrified brick and asphalt blocks have been delivered.

The plans for the new station as drawn by Mr. Leitner have been accepted and it is enough to know that the handsome new station will be erected by this capable and most talented architect.

IN BUSINESS FOR HIMSELF.

Mr. L. W. Moore to Open General Real Estate Office.

Mr. L. W. Moore, one of the livest real estate men in the city, who has been connected with Mr. H. F. Wilder, real estate dealer, for the past year, and prior to that time was chief clerk in the traffic department of the Atlantic Coast Line, has decided to go into the real estate business for himself, and has secured as an office a portion of the building which has been occupied by the Norfolk Tailoring Co., and next west of the office of the Southern Bell Telephone Co., on Princess street. Mr. Moore is having an office fitted up especially for his business, and his street number will be 123 1-2. Carpenters have been busy for some days making the necessary alterations in the room store, including the erection of a partition, placing of a new door, etc., but the work will not be completed until the latter part of the week, when Mr. Moore ill have his place open for business.

Mr. Moore has been a resident of Wilmington for 13 years, coming here from Goldsboro. He was with the Coast Line for a number of years, and at the time he resigned his position to go to Goldsboro to engage in the real estate business, but after going there and looking over the field he decided that Wilmington offered better possibilities than any other town in the State, and returned here to live.

Besides doing a general real estate business, including the renting, buying and selling of property and the managing of estates, Mr. Moore will continue to act as local agent of the Equitable Life Insurance Co. His brother, Mr. A. K. Moore, who comes here from Guilford College, will be in charge of this feature of the business.

Mr. Moore is a live business man of fine judgment and no doubt will make a big success in his new venture. He is well konwn in the community and has the confidence and esteeem of all within the range of acquaintance.

The French Millinery Parlors.

Beginning Tuesday morning will offer all of their pattern hats at half price and balance of stock at a big reduction, on account of moving in their new quarters formerly occupied by the Wilmington Savings & Trust Co. **

All suits, coats and millinery at one-half price beginning Tuesday at Polvogt's. **

BASKETBALL LAST NIGHT.

Two Interesting Contests at the Y. M. C. A.—Results.

Basket ball at the Y. M. C. A. last night drew a large number of enthusiastic spectators and both games were more than interesting from the start. The High School class had the better of the first game against the Juniors, and the play was most spectacular, every player putting forth his best effort to handle the ball effectively, Norman Davis proved the star for the Juniors and Carlyle Sheppard showed excellent form at goal shooting. Score: 22 to 20, in favor of the High School class.

The second game was between the two senior teams, one a local team and the other made up mainly of college men home for the holidays, local men, however, filling in the vacant places on this team, and showed fine college spirit. The local men had the better of the game and would have doubled the score had not the game been called because there was not an available man to fill the place made vacant, because of the release of one of the players for alleged unsportsmanlike conduct. The final score stood 39 to 21, in favor of the local team.

NEW YEAR'S DAY.

Usual Observance in Wilmington on Monday—Several Services.

Old Father Time will have recorded another year in his battered old log by the dawn of another day, and the ushering in of the New Year will be marked as usual in Wilmington by night watch services and the shrill whistles from the factories and ships in the harbor, when the clock strikes the midnight hour.

Local sidelights on the welcoming of the New Year will principally be found in the night watch services, which will be held in many homes and in some of the churches of the city. Grace M. E. church and Sixth Street Advent church will hold night watch services, the one at the latter church beginning at 8 o'clock and lasting through until midnight, while the first named church will have the service from 11 to 12 o'clock. It is probable that there will be some fireworks in evidence throughout the city and the New Year will be heralded by general celebration.

The Man, Woman or Child.

With 25c or more can begin the new year with that strong old savings bank on the corner of Front and Princess streets. Regular interest quarter at that bank on Tuesday, January 2nd. A good time to open an account. The bank for the people is the People's Savings Bank. **

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"The Fatal Posing"

Beautiful story of young artist and his sweetheart model in moving pictures at The Grand Theatre tomorrow. **

DONATIONS ACKNOWLEDGED.

Contributions to the Catherine Kennedy Home for December.

Friend, coffee; Mrs. Thos. Bagley, groceries; Mrs. H. F. Wilder, groceries; Mrs. H. G. Smallbones, raisins; Mr. Sam Bear, oranges and cake; Mr. Geo. O. Gaylord, turkey, potatoes, turnips; Miss Pocahontas Britt, delightful musical treat; Mr. A. S. Winstead, barrel apples; Mr. Jurgen Haar, mince meat; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Solky, turkey; Mrs. R. A. Montgomery, oranges; Miss Martin, a ham; Mrs. James Post, oranges; Mrs. Pleasants, crate oranges; Mrs. Roger Moore, cake; Miss Susie Moore, $1.50; Mr. Clayton Giles, $5; friend, $25; Kress Co., individual gifts writing paper and handkerchiefs; friend, individual gifts Xmas baskets; Mr. Sprunt, individual gifts of money; Mr. R. R. Bellamy, drugs; Mr. J. Hicks Bunting, drugs. The county has furnished drugs for some time. T. W. P. Co., gas; Ice Co., ice daily; Ladies' Missionary Society of First Baptist Church, delightful social afternoon of entertainment and refreshments; Mrs. Eugene Philyaw and S. S. Class, Xmas entertainment, "Jesus, the Light of the World," gifts from each member of the class.

Annual meeting will be held at the Home Tuesday afternoon, at 4 o'clock.

MR. W. H. BLAIR TO LEAVE.

Accepts Management of Telephone Office at Florence, Ala.

Mr. Stephen D. Lucas, district commercial manager of the Southern Bell Telephone Company, with headquarters in this city, yesterday announced that Mr. W. H. Blair, who has been cashier at the local office for some months, has been appointed manager of the office at Florence, Ala., and will have under his supervision several nearby exchanges as well as the Florence office. Florence is a city of about 10,000 inhabitants and the appointment to the position of manager of the office there is a distinct promotion for Mr. Blair and is well deserved. He will leave some time this week to assume his new duties. He is a native of Wilmington and has been with the telephone company about 18 months.

Mr. Blair will be succeeded by Mr. W. A. Jennings, who is at present bookkeeper in the local office, and is a most capable young man. The position of bookkeeper has been given to Mr. John H. Tedards, who arrived last night from Charlotte, and will enter upon his new duties tomorrow.

Took Trip Up the Pamlico.

Mr. B. F. Keith, collector of customs, returned yesterday from Newbern and that section, where he has been spending several days hunting and visiting friends. He had the good fortune of again meeting his old friend, Capt. H. M. Broadbent, now commanding officer of the revenue cutter Pamlico, who formerly was on the revenue cutter Seminole. They took a trip on the cutter up the sound and were delayed by a fog on the return. Mr. Keith brought a number of wild ducks back with him that were killed in that section.

Ladies attend the half-price sale at Polvogt's in their suit and millinery department. **

Get Wise!
Get Busy!
Get $13.50

And come Here. I'll do the rest. I'll make you a two-piece Suit from the latest 1912 Styles that will Please you.

Thousands of patterns to select from, but remember, they are going fast.

$18.00 to $25.00 Values at my Advertised Price of

$13.50

If you want Strictly Imported Fabrics, I can surprise you in that line. The $30.00 and $40.00 values go in at the Low Price of **$19.00** for two-piece Suit.

Come tomorrow and make your selection, sure. When you see the Values, at the Price offered, you Will Wonder how I do it.

Special Sale Prices Strictly Cash!

I. SHRIER
The Reliable Tailor and Men's Furnisher.

Special Sale Prices Strictly Cash!

A Reduction on all Coat Suits

Beginning on Tuesday, we will offer Every Coat Suit at a Reduction. This includes Everything that we have in stock, from the cheapest to the finest. The assortment is large—includes all the best colors and styles of the season.

We also will offer all Odd Coats, Odd Skirts and Shirt Waists at a Reduction.

Sole Agents for American Lady Corsets, Butterick Patterns and Black Cat Hosiery.

A. D. BROWN Dry Goods Co.
"The Modest-Price Store."

EXIT 1911

The Past year has developed many labor-saving and happiness-producing innovations in our line. Realizing that the past year is but merely a foretaste of the future—we are planning for bigger and better things. We thank you for your patronage, and wish you the best that the new year affords.

ENTER 1912

With a thoroughly up-to-date electric power plant, and with larger electric apparatus coming; with a new and improved gas plant, and with larger mains to supply the gas; we feel safe in promising the best of service.

During the coming year it will pay you to keep your eye on our display rooms; the very latest, up-to-the-minute, in electric and gas appliances will be there.

Tidewater Power Co.

217—219—221—223 PRINCESS STREET.

WEEK'S NEWS AT LUMBERTON

Close of Year and Best Town in State is in Good Shape—Need of Good Roads—Personal and Other News Items.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Lumberton, N. C., Dec. 30.—With this issue of the Star we close another year's work, having for 52 Sundays reported the happenings in this community to the best of our ability, always striving to give correct reports of passing events as they are, sticking strictly to the truth and reporting what really did happen without drawing on our imagination.

We expect to continue in the future as in the past, to report items of interest to our people at home as well as those residing elsewhere. We will give what news is worth giving. We live in the best town of its size in the best county in the best State, and have as good people as can be found anywhere, and it is not often that incidents occur in our midst that will not do to print. When such things do happen our readers need not expect to find them in the Star. We trust that all Star readers have had a Merry Christmas and wish for them a Happy New Year.

The year just drawing to a close finds the business men of Lumberton in as good condition, under existing circumstances, as those of any other town. It is true that many of them have not done the business they would have done under more favorable conditions, but no one could tell it by looking into their faces. All will start on the new year with the determination of doing their best to make the coming one of the best years yet.

If there is a man who has traveled over the roads in this county during the past few days who would oppose a bond issue for road building, we will confess we would not know what to think of him. And the same proposition might apply to Lumberton for the streets would have a hard time getting in a worse condition than they were the first of the week.

Mr. A. L. Jones, of Fairmont, was here Thursday in company with his contractor who is building an opera house with the view of getting some ideas about the stage and dressing rooms. Mr. Jones says he is going to have an opera house in keeping with the town of Fairmont and proposes to have nothing undone that will add convenience, comfort and pleasure to his people. The house will be ready in time for next season.

Rev. Father Gallagher, of Wilmington, will celebrate mass in the opera house tomorrow morning at 7:30. In the afternoon at 4 o'clock he will lecture on "What Catholics Believe." The public is most cordially invited to attend these services.

After spending two or three years in town, Rev. F. A. Prevatt and family moved this week back to their home a few miles in the country.

Rev. C. H. Durham, pastor of the First Baptist Church, will preach at the Statesville Baptist Church tomorrow, he having received a call to the pastorate of that church. In his absence tomorrow Rev. C. J. Thompson, a former pastor of the Lumberton church will conduct services here. Mr. Durham has not yet decided as to whether or not he will accept the Statesville call.

Mrs. G. M. Whitfield and daughters, Misses Lizzie and Georgia, went to Asheboro last week to spend the holidays with her daughter and her sister, Mrs. W. C. Hammond. Mr. Whitfield spent Christmas with them, going Sunday and returning Wednesday. Mrs. Whitfield and daughters will return next week.

It is said that during the past few days a number of Lumberton young men who visited Wilmington acted, while passengers on the train, in a manner which is liable to cause them trouble, as it is said the railroad company intends to press the matter in the courts. Would those yong men have acted so ugly if their mothers or sisters had been present as other ladies were?

A colored woman who recently moved here and holds a position as cook, would do well to talk less, or move to some other place than Lumberton. She is said to have done some talking in regard to the gambling raid last Saturday night when a negro was killed, which will not make her any friends among the white people nor the better class of colored people. She finds fault of the "niggers" for letting the "white folks" run over them.

Monday being New Year will be a legal holiday and the postoffice and banks will be closed, but other places of business will be open. The county commissioners and other county boards will be in session and altogether it will be a busy day.

Sheriff McNeill has his household goods packed and expects to move his family to Rowland first of next week. The sheriff still has almost a year in Lumberton as his term of office does not expire until next December. It is like going home as the sheriff formerly resided at Rowland. Lumberton parts with this most excellent family with many regrets.

Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock the infant classes of the different Sunday Schools in town will be given a free show at the Pastime Theatre. It is hoped the house will be packed with the little ones who will be cordially welcomed. The show will last one hour and interesting pictures will be shown.

The residence of Dr. R. M. Norment is being improved by the addition of another room on the north side. This is one of the oldest buildings in town and was erected when building material was far superior to what it is this day and time.

It has been announced that the Spring term of the graded school will open on Tuesday, January 9th, instead of Thursday, 4th, as has been previously stated. That is better for the students and teachers as the weather most of the time during the holidays has been so disagreeable that they could not get out for any recreation.

Robert Gilmore, a negro, who wanted to take charge of the Seaboard train as it was bound for Wilmington Wednesday night, was arrested by Policeman Stone when the train arrived here and on yesterday was allowed to submit to the charge of being drunk and disorderly. He was fined $5 and costs. He should have shaken hands with himself in getting off so light.

Dr. R. F. Graham and family will move first of the week from here to Rowland, where they will make their future home. Dr. Graham will open an office in that town. His only reason for changing towns is on account of the fact that he and Mrs. Graham both have more interests there than here, and think it better for them to be there. Dr. Graham began practicing dentistry here five or six years ago, and during their stay here he and Mrs. Graham have made many friends who greatly regret their going.

Occupants of the Shaw building, which was recently purchased by Mr. A. Weinstein, have been busy during the past few days moving out. Several who have been living, as it were, under one roof for several years, are now scattered in all directions. The last to move out will be Mr. H. C. Boylin, the jeweler, who will move Monday morning to the old barber shop between Miss Breece's millinery store and Jno. T. Biggs & Co., which has just been remodeled and will make an up-to-date jewelry store.

John Leak, the colored barber, who conducted a barber shop here for several years, but several months ago sold out and removed to St. Paul's, has returned and gone into business with Charles Dilliard, on Fouth street. John has many friends among the white people here who are familiar with the class of work he does.

Jailor Floyd stated yesterday that he had 32 prisoners in jail, 30 waiting for February court and two serving out sentences. We do not know the capacity of the jail, but with over a month till court it may be presumed the place will be packed before Judge Peebles gives them a shake-up, provided, of course, that they wait for him.

Monday being a legal holiday the rural carriers will have a holiday. They are not allowed to have Christmas day, but that is easily understood as it is the season when the mails are the heaviest. Next year being election year the boys may expect to handle a lot of stuff, much of it being dead campaign rot.

All the Sunday Schools in town have made the children feel good during the week by having Christmas trees and other entertainments. The Presbyterians had their Christmas tree last night, and it was enough to make a sick man well to see Superintendent McKenzie. He will be 68 years old next June, and his present was so pretty, a nice little, beautifully dressed-up doll baby about six inches high. He was all smiles.

The news of the death of Rev. P. R. Law was a great shock to many friends here. Several years ago he was pastor of the Lumberton Presbyterian church, during which time he resided here, and made many friends regardless of denomination.

Since Christmas eggs have taken a perceptible tumble in price. A week ago they were bringing 30 cents a dozen, but we are told now of one farmer who tried the whole town yesterday and all he could get in cash was 20 cents. One-third off in a week isn't bad. But eggs are worth a cent each, no more, no less, the world over.

Although many people thought Mr. C. B. Redmond would lose much business when he moved to his present stand some months ago, he states that his cash sales Saturday before Christmas ran a little over $100 ahead of the same day last year, when he had what was considered one of the best stands in town. Mr. Redmond doesn't make much noise, but he goes after and gets the business. His customers know he is reliable and that's a big ad.

Yesterday morning about 9 o'clock No. 10, the colored coach on the R. & C., caught fire from a stove and was badly damaged before the flames were extinguished. If it had been consumed it would have owed no service, for it has been on duty many years.

Next week is one to be dreaded by merchants and clerks as that is the time when most of them will be engaged in taking stock and finding out where they are.

Little Howard, the six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Linkhaw, who has been very sick of diphtheria, is improving.

Mr. "Jack" Morris has purchased from Mr. L. B. Blackburn the Lumberton Bakery and has already taken charge. We do not know Mr. Blackburn's intentions for the future.

Lumber river has taken on a swell and now contains more water than for some time.

Mr. H. T. Hunter, of Mars Hill, N. C., a student of Wake Forest College and editor of the College Magazine, has been spending several days here visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Johnson. Mr. Johnson also had as his guest his brother, Mr. E. M. Johnson, also a student of Wake Forest, who is soliciting orders for the "Carlyle Memorial Number of the Wake Forest Student," which will be issued February 17th.

Mrs. C. M. Tompkins and little son are expected to arrive here tomorrow from Baltimore to join Mr. Tompkins who recently took a position in the office of the Lumberton, Dresden and Jennings cotton mills.

Mrs. Poole, mother of Prof. J. R. Poole, who has been spending some time here left for her home in Richmond county yesterday evening.——Mr. J. W. Carter, of Maxton, chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, spent yesterday in town.——Rev. and Mrs. Ira Wishart, who have been spending some time here with relatives, will leave Monday for Wake Forest where Mr. Wishart will take a special course.——Mr. Leroy Meares and bride, of Richmond, Va., after spending a week here with relatives, left yesterday evening for their homes.

Dr. W. W. Parker returned from Richmond yesterday where he had been on a short pleasure trip.——Mr. J. M. Russell, of Atlanta, is visiting his parents, Capt. and Mrs. J. P. Russell.

The indications are that Lumberton will soon have an up-to-date brass band, which will be composed of some of its best musical talent. The instruments have already arrived and Mr. Arthur Whitley, a noted musician is here to give instructions. This will be the fifth or sixth band in Lumberton during the past 40 years. Let every citizen encourage the boys in every way possible.

We were informed this morning that the cotton oil mill people and Joseph McLean, father of the young man who lost his life there early yesterday morning, had adjusted the matter satisfactorily and that there would be no law suit, much to the disappointment of a few people.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Announcements by Wilmington Pastors for Pulpits Today.

St. Thomas' church—First mass, 7 A. M.; last mass sermon, 10:30 A. M.; vespers, 7:45 P. M.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Market and Seventeenth streets.—Services at 11 A. M. and 8:15 P. M. Subject of Lesson Sermon: "Christian Science." All are invited.

St. John's church, Third and Red Cross streets, Rev. W. E. Cox, rector. Holy communion at 7:30 A. M. Service and sermon by the Bishop of the Diocese at 11 A. M. Sunday school, 4 P. M. Evening service and sermon, 8 P. M. Seats free at all services. A cordial invitation to all.

Grace M. E. church, corner 4th and Grace streets, Rev. J. C. Wooten, pastor—11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M., sermon by the pastor; 3:30, Sunday school, L. B. Rogers, superintendent. There will be a Watch Night service, beginning at 11 P. M. and closing at 12 Midnight. The public is invited to attend all these services.

Christian church, Dock street near Fourth, H. C. Bowen, pastor.—Sunday school, 9:45 A. M. Preaching, 11 A. M. and music and other features at both services. Christian Endeavor, 6:45 P. M. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 8 P. M.

St. James' church, Rev. Wm. H. Milton, D. D., rector.—Prayer and sermon at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. A cordial welcome to all, especially to visitors and strangers.

St. Paul's Lutheran church, corner Sixth and Market streets, Rev. W. A. Snyder, D. D., pastor.—English service with the Holy Communion, 11 A. M. Preparatory service, 10:30 A. M. English vesper service, 7:30 P. M. Sermons appropriate to the close of the old and the opening of the new year. Sunday school, 3:30 P. M. Christian Association, 4:30 P. M. A cordial invitation to all. Seats free.

St. Mary's cathedral, Fifth and Ann streets—First mass, 7 A. M. Last mass, sermon, 10:30 A. M. There will be no evening service. For New Year (Monday), first mass, 7 A. M. Last mass, 10:30 A. M.

St. Thomas' church, Second and Dock streets—Mass, 9 A. M. Evening service at 8 P. M. For New Year (Monday), mass, 9 A. M.

Fifth Street Methodist church, Rev. G. T. Adams, pastor.—The Junior congregation will meet at 10:15 A. M., and there will be a ten minutes' sermon by the pastor. At 11 A. M., Dr. George C. Worth, a missionary from China, will preach on "The Meaning of the Revolution Now Going on in China." The pastor will preach at 7:30 P. M. Evangelistic services. Good congregational music. The public is cordially invited.

Trinity Methodist church, corner Ninth and Market streets, Rev. E. C. Sell, pastor.—Preaching at 11 A. M. by Rev. C. M. Lance, and at 7:30 P. M. by the pastor. All the members of the church are urged to be present at all these services. A cordial invitation to all.

Bladen Street Methodist church, corner Fifth and Bladen streets—Services today at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M., conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. L. Rexford. Sunday school at 3 P. M.; J. B. Taylor, superintendent. Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 8 o'clock. The public cordially invited.

Brooklyn Baptist church, J. A. Sullivan, pastor.—Morning worship, 11 A. M.; sermon subject: "The New Vantage Ground;" evening worship, 7:30 P. M., sermon subject: "Now and Then." Sunday school, at 3:30 P. M., Mr. Frank Garrison, superintendent. Annual meeting of the church Wednesday evening, Jan. 3rd, at 8 o'clock. Every member of the church is urged to be present.

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Begin it by opening a savings account with the People's Savings Bank, whose regular interest quarter begins Tuesday, January 2nd. **

Removal Notice

J. W. Murchison & Company, Wholesale Dealers in Hardware, will on January 1st, 1912, move their business from their old location, 109-110 North Front Street, to their new and modern building, located at the corner of Chestnut and Water streets, where they will conduct a wholesale hardware business. They will be glad to see any and all of their old friends at their new location, and will be pleased to serve them in their line at all times.

The firm of J. W. Murchison & Company has assigned and set over to Peck & Holloway their retail hardware business, heretofore conducted at 109-110 North Front street, and bespeak for the new firm the good-will and patronage of the friends of the old firm for their retail business. The new firm of Peck & Holloway will not conduct a wholesale business.

With thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed on this firm during the past, we wish our numerous friends a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

J. W. MURCHISON & CO.,
Chestnut and Water Street.

POCAHONTAS Steam COAL

Thacker Lump Coal. Wood, All Cuts. Lime, Cement, Plaster, Walrus Roofing, Shingles, Brick, Pipe, &c

Your orders Respectfully Solicited.

W. B. THORPE & CO.

PHONE 789

Silence!

The instinct of modesty natural to every woman is often a great hindrance to the cure of womanly diseases. Women shrink from the personal questions of the local physician which seem indelicate. The thought of examination is abhorrent to them, and so they endure in silence a condition of disease which surely progresses from bad to worse.

It has been Dr. Pierce's privilege to cure a great many women who have found a refuge for modesty in his offer of FREE consultation by letter. All correspondence is held as sacredly confidential. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription restores and regulates the womanly functions, abolishes pain and builds up and puts the finishing touch of health on every weak woman who gives it a fair trial.

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offer the Public their Entire Stock of Men's, Boys' and Children's Suits, Overcoats and Pants at ¼ Off the Regular Price. We carry only the Very Best Makes, and All Goods are Marked in Plain Figures.

$27.50 Men's Suits and Overcoats	$20.63
$25.00 Men's Suits and Overcoats	18.75
$22.50 Men's Suits and Overcoats	16.87
$20.00 Men's Suits and Overcoats	15.00
$18.00 Men's Suits and Overcoats	13.50
$16.50 Men's Suits and Overcoats	12.37
$15.00 Men's Suits and Overcoats	11.25
$12.50 Men's Suits and Overcoats	9.37
$10.00 Men's Suits and Overcoats	7.50
$12.50 Boys' Suits and Overcoats	9.37
$10.00 Boys' Suits and Overcoats	7.50
$ 9.00 Boys' Suits and Overcoats	6.75
$ 8.50 Boys' Suits and Overcoats	6.37
$ 8.00 Boys' Suits and Overcoats	6.00
$ 7.50 Boys' Suits and Overcoats	5.63
$ 7.00 Boys' Suits and Overcoats	5.25
$ 6.50 Boys' Suits and Overcoats	4.87
$ 6.00 Boys' Suits and Overcoats	4.50
$ 5.00 Boys' Suits and Overcoats	3.75
$ 4.50 Boys' Suits and Overcoats	3.37
$ 4.00 Boys' Suits and Overcoats	3.00
$ 3.50 Boys' Suits and Overcoats	2.63
$ 6.00 Men's Pants	4.50
$ 5.00 Men's Pants	3.75
$ 4.50 Men's Pants	3.37
$ 4.00 Men's Pants	3.00
$ 3.50 Men's Pants	2.63
$ 3.00 Men's Pants	2.25
$ 2.50 Men's Pants	1.88
$ 2.50 Boys' Knickerbocker Pants	1.88
$ 2.25 Boys' Knickerbocker Pants	1.68
$ 2.00 Boys' Knickerbocker Pants	1.50
$ 1.75 Boys' Knickerbocker Paints	1.21
$ 1.50 Boys' Knickerbocker Pants	1.13
$ 1.25 Boys' Knickerbocker Pants	.93
$ 1.00 Boys' Knickerbocker Pants	.75

SALE BEGINS TUESDAY, DECEMEBER 26.

SHRIER & SOLOMON

Christmas Gifts!

If you are looking for something Real Nice for your Husband, Brother or Beau, just drop in our store and you will find it.

Neckwear	from 25c. to $1.50
Gloves	from 25c. to $2.50
Suspenders	from 25c. to $1.00
Sox	from 25c. to 50c
Pajamas	from 75c. to $2.50
Bath Robes	from $4.50 to $6.00
Handkerchiefs	from 10c. to $1.00
Night Shirts	from 75c to $1.50
Shirts	from 50c. to $2.00

Underwear, Hats, and Everything That's Suitable for a Present.

J. W. FLEET COMPANY

STORE OPEN UNTIL 9 O'CLOCK.

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D. L. GORE COMPANY

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington, Effective January 1st, 1912. Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 90, ! 3:40 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. No. 91 leaves Norfolk 13:35 P. M. and Richmond 14:10 P. M.)	No. 91, a 1:00 A. M.
No. 51, 5:35 A. M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50, *11:30 P. M.
No. 64, ! 5:50 A. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 65, ! 6:50 P. M.
No. 48, * 8:40 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. Pullman Parlor Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York Trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49, * 6:15 P. M.
No. 53, * 8:45 A. M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52, * 8:05 P. M.
No. 55, * 3:15 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway (!) Florence, Charleston, Savannah, All Florida Points, Columbia, Asheville and the West. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia.	No. 54, 1:40 P. M.
No. 62, * 3:25 P. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 63, *12:50 P. M.
No. 59, ! 6:30 P. M.	Fayetteville, Sanford and Intermediate Stations.	No. 60, !10:15 A. M.
No. 42, * 7:00 P. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains, with Pullman and Dining Car Service. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41, * 9:45 A. M.
No. 57, ! 7:30 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate Stations.	No. 58, ! 8:30 A. M.

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

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IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4, 1911.

Winter Park, Wrightsville, Wrightsville Beach and Intermediate Points.

EAST BOUND.			WEST BOUND.		
Leave Wilmington for Winter Park	Leave Wilmington for Wrightsville	Leave Wilmington for Wrightsville Beach	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville Beach for Wilmington
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Sunday, December 31, 1911.

Good roads for 1912.

Happy New Year tomorrow.

In a New York church J. Pierpont Morgan passes the plate. It is not likely that he ever lets the plate pass him.

Says the Columbia State: "Exit the alcoholidays." At the same time, the "day after" is still here to be reckoned with.

Texas has 8,000 acres planted in onions. She had about 4,000,000 planted in cotton, and she would have fared better if she had planted more onions.

Dr. Wiley's opinion of mince pie is that every forkful is equivalent to a mule's kick in the stomach. What would he have to say of the old-fashioned corn dumpling which used to be prevalent in Virginia?

It is more than probable that Bliss and Roosevelt both asked Harriman for that money. Harriman certainly said the Colonel did, and one Shelcon says Mr. Bliss did. Harriman ought to know. He raised the money.

The Jackson Day Banquet in Washington, January 8th, will be more peaceable than the Peace Banquet in New York last night. Among the eminent Democrats who are to speak in Washington are Speaker Champ Clark, of Missouri; Judge Alton B. Parker, of New York; Hon. William J. Bryan, of Nebraska; ex-Governor Joseph W. Folk, of Missouri; Governor Woodrow Wilson, of New Jersey; Hon. William Randolph Hearst, of New York; Hon. Oscar W. Underwood, of Alabama, and others. It probably will be a peace conference which Republicans wish otherwise.

Mr. Theodore H. Price, of New York, one of the highest cotton authorities in this country, arrived in Wilmington Friday evening and went yesterday to Bennettsville, S. C., where there will be another trial of the cotton picking machine in which he is interested. In speaking of this year's production of cotton, Mr. Price remarked in a group at The Orton that the most amazing thing about the one-crop falacy in the South is that it prevails in a country which will produce numerous crops more profitable than cotton. He is quite right in expressing astonishment that our farmers do not diversify with cotton, tobacco, corn, peanuts, sugar cane, dairying and many food and forage crops for which there is a ready demand right at home. We ought to know better and do better the coming year.

Should the women propose? According to George Willis Cooke, lecturer at the Boston School of Social Science, the answer obviously is "yes." He says: "They should call and send flowers and boxes of candy. First, however, they should make certain that the young man on whom they have their eye is a good cook, and does not believe in equal rights or any of that rubbish. They should make sure that he is of good family and has sufficient grace and address to entertain any of the business friends of the prospective wife. They should be certain that he can sew and is a good housekeeper. Girls should be careful also to avoid young men who insist on having a latchkey and a certain amount of independence." If girls send flowers and give candy it will be all right, but the men will do just like the girls—take the flowers and candy and not let on about their qualifications. By the way, a really eligible fellow might be so popular it would enable him to start a candy store.

THE YEAR'S POLITICAL BATTLE.

Tomorrow will usher in the Presidential campaign year, for which the year that closes today has witnessed more or less skirmishing. The next President of the United States will really be chosen in the next five months, since it will all be over by June or early in July, when the two great National conventions shall have named the two men between whom voters are to decide at the ballot box next November. One of the two men chosen as the party nominees will be President, so that the American people must within the five months beginning tomorrow line up for the men who are to be nominated by their respective parties. Henceforth, we shall see sentiment rapidly chrystallizing, for the campaign is now going to be carried forward in a lively fashion.

There ought not to be any uncertainty among Republicans as to their nominee, yet there is apparent demoralization in their ranks, clearly evinced by two factions, the regulars and the insurgents. Necessarily, the regulars will have to line up for the re-nomination of President Taft, but the very considerable insurgent element wants any other Republican leader than Taft. All the indications point to Senator LaFollette, of Wisconsin, as the choice of the insurgents, but they will never be able to control the National Republican convention to be held in Chicago the 18th of next June.

It is hardly necessary to forecast President Taft's nomination. He is the true representative of the National Republicanism of today and the Republican party will have to stand for him, since a failure to re-nominate him would be to repudiate four years of Republican administration. It is true that to name LaFollette or some other nominee would indicate a complete reform of the G. O. P., but the Republican party is not a reform party and Senator LaFollette in no wise represents either its principles, policies or intentions. They are represented by William Howard Taft, and reactionary as he is, he is less reactionary than the party which will have to follow him to defeat.

"We believe in the patriotism, deep sincerity and high purpose of Senator LaFollette and the progressive Republicans, but their principles are not those of the Republican party that will support Taft. Since the President assuredly will be nominated, there can be but three courses open to the insurgents—one to surrender to the regulars, the other to nominate a progressive candidate under a different organization, or to line up with the Democrats. To surrender to the Taft party which caused insurgency would indicate the weakness and abortiveness of the progressive movement. To organize a Progressive Republican party and run a candidate would be impracticable if not stupid, and would not contribute to the effectiveness of the public resentment against the ruinous methods of the Republican party. The Republican party has oppressed the masses and become a menace to the Republic, and the Democratic party is its only militant opponent. The insurgents, if they are in earnest, must support the Democratic nominee, for Democratic triumph is the only hope of the country.

Will the progressive Republicans rally to Democracy? That remains to be seen, and one of the interesting features of the campaign will be to watch the final attitude of the insurgents. The leaders may go back to Taft, but the insurgent masses may vote for the Democratic nominee. They would do so more readily if their leaders will lead the way. The cause of insurgency is hopeless and its efforts will be futile. Soon we will see the Progressives deserting the sinking ship, and we will be pretty apt to note more of what is happening in the West. This, for instance, from the Seattle Times:

"Progressive Republican leaders, whose aggressive insurgency has reached the stage of a determination to support Woodrow Wilson rather than vote for President W. H. Taft, are in a delicate position when they approach the coming party conventions and primaries. There are some progressives who practically have abandoned the idea of co-operating with their old party next year and believe that they morally are bound to keep out of Republican factional fights. There is Rufus R. Wilson, manager of the Poindexter senatorial campaign, as an instance. Mr. Wilson is convinced that President Taft will be nominated and is hopeful to a degree of conviction that Governor Woodrow Wilson then will be the Democratic Presidential candidate. Therefore, the Seattle Wilson is so shaping himself that he can support the late Princetonian openly and enthusiastically. Having settled in his own mind the fact that he is fated to co-operate with the Bourbons next year, Rufus Wilson does not believe he is morally eligible to meddle with Republican quarrels arising in the meantime. The primary law provides an oath that participants in party caucuses must take, when challenged, that obligates them to support the party generally at the next election."

Mr. Rufus Wilson has taken the right course. It is logical and we will be called upon to record more of it. Woodrow Wilson is Rufus Wilson's man, but if Wilson will not get to vote for Wilson he will have to support the Democratic nominee, whoever he is. However, the West and the South are for Woodrow Wilson and at present he seems to be the Democracy's strongest man for the nomination. The interesting feature of the campaign so far as the Democracy is concerned will be to watch the crystallization of sentiment for the various Democratic eligibles. If we were a prophet we would say the great National contest will be between William Howard Taft and Woodrow Wilson. The winner ought to be a Democrat if the people want their Republic restored to the people.

WILMINGTON'S NEW YEAR GIFT.

The Atlantic Coast Line is to make Wilmington a $300,000 New Year's gift—a new union passenger station, which, it is said, will be the handsomest in the South. This means another addition to "big progress in Wilmington."

Wilmington is realizing itself at a good clip and her progress is not only steady and substantial but it is now being made by leaps and bounds. You will have to quit "watching" those other cities grow and behold Wilmington's "big progress." Behold her as she grows and keeps on growing. It's "big progress," coming in half million gobs, for within the last week The Star has announced about $500,000 in improvements for Wilmington on the eve of 1912. The new year will see something doing in Wilmington, for in the expenditure of $400,000 in hand for sewerage extension and street work, the expenditure of $125,000 for betterments by the Tidewater Power Company, the installation of a $60,000 industry, and about $500,000 already set aside for new buildings, the year starts out with a great promise of prosperity. Of course, there will be other things doing in the course of the year, and we would not be at all surprised to see $2,000,000 fed to progress in Wilmington within the next twelve months. It makes the outlook for employment cheering and the prospect for business bright and reassuring.

The Atlantic Coast Line's new union station will be a six-story fireproof structure and will occupy the block at the northeast corner of Front and Red Cross streets. It will front on both streets, and the first floor on a level with the street will contain handsome passenger waiting rooms for the women and men of both races, ticket offices and baggage rooms. The other five floors will be used for office purposes, and the new building will not only provide more commodious and modern passenger facilities but will be an extensive addition to the Coast Line's group of office buildings. When it is completed, the Atlantic Coast Line, with its other offices, can house a thousand of its workers. The plans for the new structure have been prepared by Mr. Jos F. Leitner, the well-known Wilmington architect, and they will be on exhibition next Wednesday at the banking house of the People's Savings Bank at Front and Princess streets.

The new building will call for a rearrangement of the Coast Line's terminal tracks, with those of the freight yards running underneath those for the passenger service. A concrete subway to shut out the smoke from below will carry the traffic to the freight terminals on the harbor front. The new union station will accomodate the trains of six railroads, including four roads of the Atlantic Coast Line, besides the Seaboard Air Line and the Wilmington, Brunswick and Southern Railroad.

This is a progressive step on the part of the Atlantic Coast Line, which, be it known again, has its headquarters in this city. It is a renewal of the Coast Line's confidence in Wilmington and it will forge another strong link in the friendship between Wilmington and its great home railway system, one of which Wilmington has every reason to be proud.

It was inevitable that sooner or later, the Atlantic Coast Line would provide Wilmington with a union station that would do credit to the railroad system and to the city, but to President M. J. Corbett, of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, is due great credit for his good offices in accelerating the plans for this splendid municipal and railway improvement. President Corbett has been a prime mover for this new improvement, and The Star congratulates him that it is the crowning achievement of his first year of constructive administration as head of the Chamber of Commerce of Wilmington. He has gone about the work quietly and with an absence of fireworks and display that, if such methods had been indulged in, would certainly have resulted much less in accomplishment in the end. The hats of all Wilmington are indeed off this New Year eve's morning to President M. J. Corbett, of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, and to the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company, the premier railway system of the South!

ATTRACTIONS FOR THE BEACH

Wrightsville Beach is a huge asset of Wilmington and the city's returns from it probably are greater than from any other factor in her municipal life. Wilmington's popular and famous seaside resort is a resourceful institution, and it should never be overlooked as an asset that should be scrupuously nurtured for what there is in it—pleasure and recreation for thousands of people, publicity abroad for the city of Wilmington, and its money value in sustaining several business enterprises and bringing trade to the city at a time that it would otherwise be dull.

Wilmington's delightful seaside resort makes Summer life here one of constant activity and enjoyment. Things are lively in Wilmington in June, July, August and September, and the more popular the beach is made the greater number of visitors there will be to put life into Wilmington. The resort is the mainstay of the city and suburban trolley system and the business it has done has made it both possible and worthwhile for the expenditure of $125,000 in betterments by the Tidewater Power Company. It sustains several hotels and gives employment to several hundred people during the Summer season. It furnishes passenger business for six railroads entering Wilmington, and the whole truth is it woud be difficult to go on and give more of the substantive facts showing what Wrightsville Beach is to Wilmington.

Since we realize what a big thing is our delightful Summer resort, the whole community should be interested in adding to its attractiveness every season. The more attractions there are at the resort the greater crowds it will draw, and the greater the number of visitors the greater becomes the beach as an asset. The beach ought to have several amusements this Summer, and an amusement company, or several individuals, might add greatly to its attractiveness by putting in different amusements. Amusements pay handsomely at the resorts, and Wrightsville Beach offers a fine opportunity for several that will add to the enjoyment and recreation of Wilmington's beach visitors.

South Carolina might present Governor Blease to Mexico for a New Year's gift. He might give some trouble in Mexico but not for any great length of time.

CURRENT COMMENT.

And while Mr. LaFollette is about it he will be making more or less trouble for the Republican party.—Durham Herald.

"The best way for the gentleman from Oyster Bay to settle the whole thing," observes the Wilmington Star, "would be to give out this statement: 'I am not a candidate myself, will not be anybody's candidate, don't want to be President, and would not accept a Presidential nomination under any circumstances whatsoever.'" But didn't the gentleman from Oyster Bay make practically the same declaration prior to his nomination for Vice President in the Republican convention of 1900?—Columbia State.

A High Point minister has just given up his pastorate because his salary was not sufficient to support himself and family. Ministers are human and are subject to human needs. Their duties to themselves and to their families are not unlike the duties of any other man, but it seems to be a fact that during the past few years when the high cost of living was affecting every other class of professianol men, necessitating larger salaries, the ministers have not been proportionately cared for. It is nothing to the credit of any community that the pastors laboring in it are not receiving living expenses. The High Point incident, however, is only a specimen of conditions that exist almost universally.—Charlotte Observer.

At Fifth Street Church.

At Fifth Street M. E. church today the junior congregation will meet at 10:15 A. M. and there will be a ten minutes sermon by the pastor, Rev. G. T. Adams. At 11 A. M. Dr. George C. Worth, a missionary from China, will preach on "The Meaning of the Revolution Now Going on in China." The pastor will preach at 7:30 P. M. There will be evangelistic services and good congregational singing. The public is cordially invited.

Married Last Evening

Mr. William E. Hardison and Miss Brookie Todd, daughter of Mr. D. W. Todd, of Delgado, were happily united in marriage at 7 o'clock last night, the ceremony being performed by Justice G. W. Bornemann at his office on Princess street. The ceremony was witnessed by a number of persons who chanced to be passing at the time. The couple will live at Delgado.

New Vaudeville House.

Joyland, a new vaudeville and moving picture theatre, will begin operations with the first of the New Year on South Seventh street, between Queen and Castle streets. The enterprising management states that the moving picture films will be changed each day and that new vaudeville acts will be introduced each Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The price of admission will be 10 cents.

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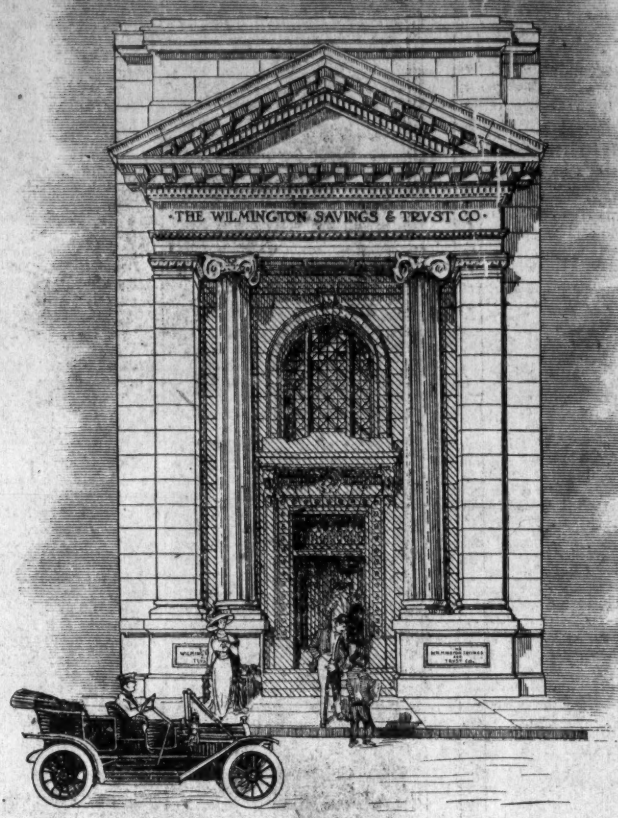

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Wishing All a Happy New Year.

JAMES SPRUNT LECTURESHIP

Large Gift of Wilmingtonian to Union Theological Seminary—Interesting Announcement Made Through Bulletin.

The Union Theological Seminary, of the Southern Presbyterian Church, at Richmond, Va., in its quarterly bulletin concerning the progress of the institution and noting new features of the work, makes the announcement of a large gift by Mr. James Sprunt, of Wilmington, creating a foundation for a permanent lectureship, for the purpose of bringing to the Seminary the ablest lecturers from all parts of the world year by year.

The Seminary is an old and splendid institution, having been founded in 1812. Its centennial will be celebrated during 1912, and a review of its record will reveal a great work in the education and training of young men for the Christian ministry. The older grows the Seminary the better it gets, for it is a progressive institution that in the strength of its faculty and in its general equipment, is meeting the needs of the times. In the Seminary's November Bulletin, among the notes of its progress, and announcements of new features, appears this announcement:

"Mr. James Sprunt, an honored ruling elder of the First Church in Wilmington, N. C., well known throughout our bounds for his Christian liberality, has by a large gift to the Seminary created a foundation for the purpose of bringing to the institution year by year the ablest lecturers from every part of Christendom to give to our students the benefit of their wisdom and learning in the various lines of speculative Christian thought and practical Christian work. This is a forward step the importance of which it would be difficult to overstate. Nothing just like it has ever been known in connection with our branch of the church. It will not only bring to the reinforcement of the already able faculty these distinguished and authoritative scholars from our own and other lands, but it will be the means of creating a powerful and valuable Christian literature of the same general type but of wider scope than the Bampton Lectures of Oxford."

The above will be read with interest by North Carolinians generally and especially in Wilmington, the home of Mr. Sprunt, who is at the head of the great cotton exporting house of Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son. The lectureship endowment is a happy thought of Mr. Sprunt, who himself is so intellectually endowed as to see the needs of such a timely and valuable addition to the Seminary work. The great philanthropy of this Wilmington man is well known here, and while his benefaction to the Seminary was made several months ago, it has only become known through the Seminary bulletin for last month. The news is a trifle tardy, but it is nevertheless interesting and will be gratifying information among all who appreciate the larger scope that can be given the work of enlarging Christian work in the South.

ABOUT NEW CUSTOM HOUSE

Special Agent of Treasury Department Here for a Few Days

Mr. J. C. Cummings, of Savannah, Ga., special agent of the United States Treasury Department, has been spending several days here and yesterday went over the plans for the proposed new custom house with Collector B. F. Keith, discussing principally the space to be provided for the customs feature in the new building.

Mr. Cummings was on his way from New York to Savannah and had no information of any consequence to give out. He stated that on account of an effort now being made in Congress to secure an additional appropriation for the new building to be located here that no definite plans had been decided upon. He estimated that the space to be provided in the new building for the customs offices will be 5,000 square feet. Of course, this would include unoccupied space to provide additional offices when necessary. He stated that it is probable that the space to be occupied by the offices of the War Department would be 10,000 feet. Mr. Cummings has only the customs feature to look after and he will make a report to the Secretary of the Treasury with reference to the Wilmington customs house at an early date. He left yesterday afternoon for Savannah.

Funeral of Miss Bettie Evans

The funeral of Miss Bettie Evans, whose death occurred Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the residence of Capt. and Mrs. W. P. Oldham, No. 213 South Second street, where she has made her home for many years, was held at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon from the residence, conducted by Rev. Dr. J. H. Foster, pastor of the First Baptist church. The interment was in Oakdale cemetery. The pallbearers were: Messrs. F. L. Huggins, J. F. Littleton, Dr. A. M. Baldwin and Capt. W. P. Oldham.

Saved His Wife's Life.

"My wife would have been in her grave today," writes O. H. Brown, of Muscadine, Ala., "if it had not been for Dr. King's New Discovery. She was down in her bed, not able to get up without help. She had a severe bronchial trouble and a dreadful cough. I got her a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, and she soon began to mend, and was well in a short time." Infallible for coughs and colds, it's the most reliable remedy on earth for desperate lung trouble, hemorrhages, lagrippe, asthma, hay fever, croup and whooping cough. 50c, $1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by R. R. Bellamy.

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Thousands of People.

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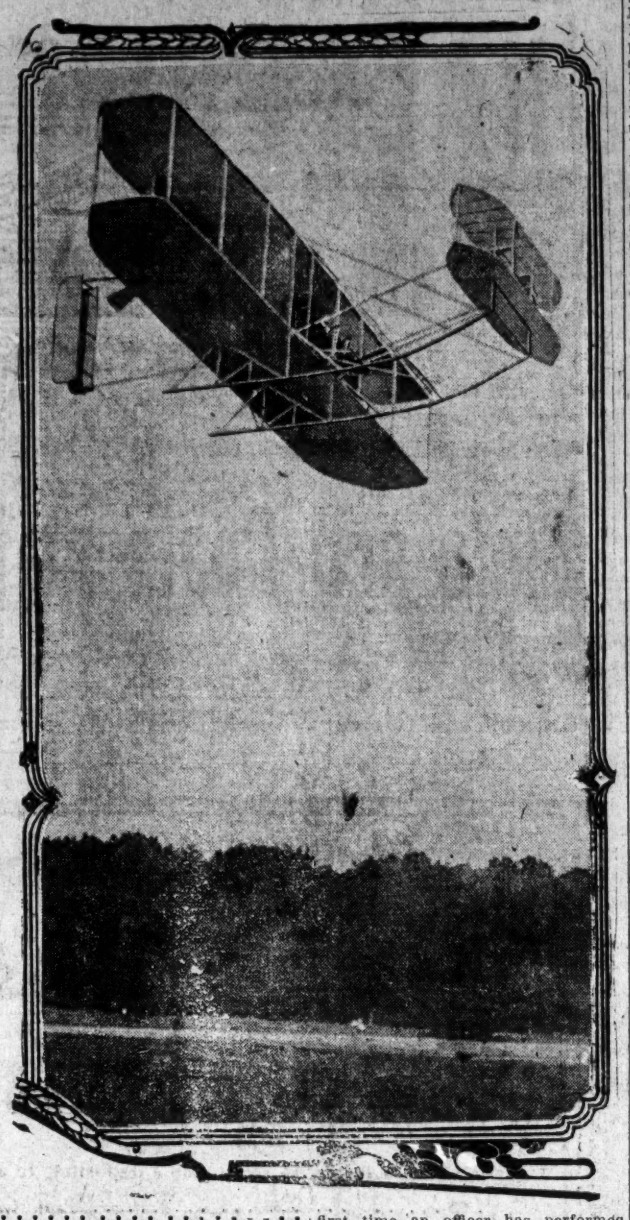
AVIATION MEET TOMORROW



THE PROGRAMME

2 P. M., grounds open.
3 P. M., Motorcycle race.
First flight by Brookins.
Automobile race.
Sharp shooting from aeroplane.
Horse race.
Mail carrying by aeroplane.
Concert by Band.

Special car service to grounds every five minutes. 10 cents round-trip.

Mr. Walter R. Brookins, the well-known American aviator, who is going to fly at Highwood Park tomorrow, arrived in Wilmington last evening. He was met at the union station by Mr. A. B. Skelding, general manager of the Tidewater Power Co., and Mr. Chas. N. Evans, president of the Southern National Bank, to whom he expressed his great pleasure in having the opportunity to fly here. The first thing Mr. Brookins did was to take off his overcoat.

"Is it as warm as this here always," asked Mr. Brookins. "Why, the temperature gives one the flying fever. And as for the winds you have hardly any here. This is no place to wear an overcoat. I am going to take mine off. I hear that you have never had a passenger-carrying fligh. in Wilmington. You must have one soon because next year people will be flying all over the country."

"Where are you going from here?" Mr. Brookins was asked.

"We are going right to Florida, where I have to teach 20 people to fly," he answered.

Later in the evening Mr. Brookins was a guest at the Cape Fear Club. A score of the members received Mr. Brookins and the subject of the evening was aviation. Mr. Brookins explained to the members when they asked about the safety of flying that the present death rate in aviation is one man in every 15,000 miles that an aeroplane has flown. In cross-country flying the ratio was even smaller, being one in every 30,000 miles. He said that the time is nearly at hand when the aeroplane in proportion to its great speed will be the safest means of traveling. The members of the club were so impressed with Mr Brokins' argument that those who had skpetical views were inclined to feel that the aeroplan is not as bad as is commonly thought to be.

Everything is ready for the opening of the meet at Highwood Park on New Year's Day. Dr. Morris M. Caldwell, president of the Wilmington Driving Association, and Mr. Frank Herbst, local manager of the meet, spent most of the day yesterday in arranging all the details. Postmaster Thos. E. Wallace has arranged to have Mr. E. L. Lee and Mr. Albert B. Guyton, two of the popular clerks of the Wilmington postoffice to take charge of the aerial sub-station, which has been established at Highwood Park by special permission of Postmaster General Hitchcock. Mr. Wallace will be there himself to carry out the instructions of the Postoffice Department. The automobile, motorcycle and horse races have been scheduled to be run between the aeroplane flights and these will prove one of the most interesting features of the day inasmuch as the automobile and motorcycle events will be the first of their kind held in this city.

Lieutenant Paul L. Cantwell, of the Wilmington Light Infantry, one of the oldest military companies in the State, is going to shoot at a target from the aeroplane, which will be the first time an officer has performed this test in the South. He was in consultation with Mr. Brookins at The Orton Hotel last night and thanked Mr. Brookins for being given the privilege and honor to accompany him in this important experiment. Congratulations were received by Lieutenant Cantwell from his many friends in the city yesterday upon the announcement in The Star that he had been selected to do the sharp shooting. He and Mr. Brookins had nearly a half hour's conversation and the aviator told him of the many passengers that he has previously carried, including Governors of States and Mayors of cities. The target at which Mr. Cantwell will aim will have a bull's eye one foot in diameter. He will shoot at it from an altitude first, 50 feet, then 100 feet and 150 feet. The target will be placed in the center of the big field of the race track. It is also very likely that Mr. Cantwell will be the first man in Wilmington to have the privilege of being a passenger in an aeroplane in this city.

The first flight that Mr. Brookins will make will be in the form of an exhibition. His machine, which arrived yesterday, was taken out to the track late in the afternoon, but was not unpacked because the tent in which it was to be housed did not arrive and the special shed which was built for the Curtiss machines, used by McCurdy and Beachy, is too small for the Wright machine. Mr. George Lawson, Mr. Brookins' chief machinician, advised that the aeroplane be not unpacked until early Monday morning. The machine will be taken out of the special freight car about 7 o'clock in the morning. The freight car was brought back to Tenth and Orange streets from which place it will be transferred to the race track early tomorrow morning.

Since the announcement that Mr. Brookins was going to fly here there have been innumerable inquires as to the difference of the Wright machine from the others, especially the Curtiss machine which was witnessed in flights here several months ago. This is the first time that the Wright machine has been seen in public flights in North Carolina, excepting the experiments which were conducted by Orville and Wilbur Wright at Kitty Hawk. Although the aeroplane was invented in this State because of the fact that the Wright brothers made their successful experiment on the sand dunes of this coast, nearly four years have elapsed since that time and this is the first appearance of the Wright machine in North Carolina. The name of North Carolina has gone down in history as the place where the first successful experiments in navigating the air were conducted. Today the greatest scientific minds of the world are at work endeavoring to create a machine that will be more successful. So far nothing radically different in principle has worked out. The difference between the Wright and Curtiss machine is that in the former two propellers are used to drive the machine through the air instead of one. The Wright machine is very much larger than the Curtiss and uses a warping wing principle for maintaling its lateral stability, which means keeping the machine balanced sideways in the air. There is no rudder in front of the Wright machine that being placed in the rear and directs the machine up and downward. a very low horse-power motor is used in the Wright biplane, which enables ti to be the slowest flying machine built. The "Baby Wright," which is the speed machine, built by the inventors of the aeroplane of Dayton, Ohio, has traveled faster than even the Nieuport in France, having attained a speed of 89 miles an hour at Belmont Park, when operated by Orville Wright himself.

Postmaster Wallace is going to institute a new feature in the aerial mail-carrying experiment, which will be conducted at the Highwood Park meet. Heretofore the aviator has been told to what point the mail is to be carried several days in advance. Mr. Brookins will not know until mail pouch is handed to him, when he is seated in his machine, to what point he is to deliver it. Postmaster Wallace, however, did say yesterday that Mr. Brookins will have to fly at least two miles from the race track with the U. S. mail entrusted to him. Mr. Brookins told the postmaster over the telephone last night that under no circumstances will he fly over the city because by so doing he would violate a rule established by the Aero Club of America, of which he is a licensed pilot. The club threatens with expulsion any aviator who flies over a city and Mr. Brookins does not want to have his pilot's license canceled because in that event he would be disqualified from entering any of the international contests for aeroplanes. He is now having built a speed machine which will travel between 90 and 100 miles an hour with which he will enter the next international aeroplane speed race to be held in this country next Summer. The rule established by the Aero Club was only recently put into effect and when Beachy flew over the city last March he was not violating this rule because it did not exist.

An elaborate musical programme will be rendered at Highwood Park during the meet by the Cape Fear Independent Band of Wilmington, which consists of 15 pieces. At noon tomorrow the band will give a concert at Front and Princess streets, which will signify the opening of the greatest aviation meet ever held in North Carolina.

Dr. Pride J. Thomas will be in attendance at the aviation meet as the official field surgeon. Arrangements have been made by the Wilmington Driving Association for the observance of peace and order at the meet. Ample police protection, thought it is not expected that it will be needed, has been arranged for. To protect the property of the Driving Association nobody will be permitted to climb on the fence and the surrounding property will also be protected in the interests of the owners. Many objections were made to people indiscriminately trampling over private grounds. Justice George Harriss will be on the grounds and will direct the movement of all the special deputies while there will also be present police officers from the city, Chief of Police John J. Fowler having received an invitation to send some officers.

Mr. Morand, a well-known real estate man, will be on the ground with a large megaphone to announce each event as it takes place and also to give the names of the winners in the automobile, motorcycle and horse races. Mr. W. A. French, Jr., will be in charge of the automobile race; Mr. E. R. Pickard in charge of the motorcycle race, and Mr. F. T. Mills will be the starter and Dr. Thos. B. Carroll the judge of the horse races.

Those who are to take part in the motorcycle races are: Neal Hines, Claudie Brock, Marx Nathan, William Athner and Charles Blake.

Thos in the automobile race are: R. E. Blake, in a Hupmobile; Hardy Shulken in a Chalmers; L. B. Douglas in a Maxwell and Carl Korb in a Reo.

The horses and their drivers in the horse race will be: "Ship Hal," driven by J. J. Darby; "Anna Director," driven by R. L. Davis, and "Highwood King," driven by J. Hayes.

There will be at least three flights by Mr. Brokins and if it is not too dark after the mail-carrying experiment he may make a fourth flight. It is generally spoken throughout the city by people who have read of the aviation meet that the event will be the most important of its kind that has ever been held here. In fact, no sporting meet of such magnitude has ever been arranged to be held on a holiday and has been more enthusiastically received than the affair tomorrow.

Mayor Joseph D. Smith last night expressed his extreme appreciation that an aviation meet of the importance such as the one to be held at Highwood Park tomorrow is to be given in this city on New Year's Day, affording the people an opportunity to enjoy a holiday in a wholesome and educational entertainment.

He said that he was very glad that the Wilmington Driving Association and the Wilmington people who are getting up the meet have worked so hard to give the citizens an opportunity to judge the advancement that has been made in aviation. He also expressed the hope that everybody who can will attend and thereby show their appreciation of the efforts that have been made to please them. He felt that most certainly all the events to be held at Highwood Park would be interesting in the extreme, particularly the mail carrying by aeroplane for which Postmaster General Hitchcock has given his special consent.

CARED FOR BY POLICE.

Three Piccaninies, Exposed to Weather, Brought to Station.

The police had an unusual act of charity to perform yesterday in caring for three piccaninies, who had been left out in the weather in the alley in the rear of the Wilmington Light Infantry, where they were found half frozen. The three kids of ebony hue had been deserted by their mother, who later complained to the police that she was unable to care for them on account of having to vacate her house because of failure to pay the rent.

The little negroes, who ranged in ages around five, three and one year, respectively, were brought to the station early yesterday morning and placed in front of the large open fireplace. They rolled and scrambled about the floor, with an occasional babble of joy, followed by quietness when a policeman would rap his "billy" on the floor. They thoroughly enjoyed their comfortable quarters.

The mother of the children, a middle-aged darkey, who was rather feeble, complained to the police that she was in destitute circumstances, but had managed to rent another room during the day and would take her children there with her. The police readily consented to let them go.

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"SAFEST FOR SAVINGS."

THE PEOPLES SAVINGS BANK

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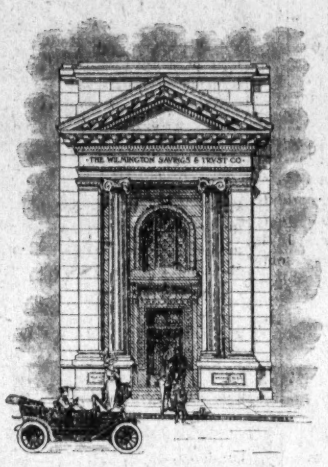

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The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.

OLDEST and STRONGEST Savings Bank in the State.

AND NOW FOR 1912

It is our sincere wish that you may find it the Happiest and most Prosperous of New Years

"THE MEN WHO SELL THE EARTH"

After Long Absence

Rev. W. W. Wooten, colored, who is now entering the 76th year of his age, who will be remembered by many of the older people of the city among both white and colored, has returned to Wilmington to spend the holidays, after an absence of 22 years, which time has been spent in Arkansas and Oklahoma. He was pastor of the Free Will Baptist church at Ninth and Bladen streets before he left Wilmington for the West. Today he will preach at Blocker's church in Love's Alley, and will no doubt be heard by many members of his race.

Why Shouldn't You

Begin the New Year with a bank account at the People's Savings Bank? Their regular interest quarter begins Tuesday, January 2nd, and the money you deposit there on that day will receive a full quarter's interest on April 1st. **

Bishop Strange at St. John's.

Rt. Rev. Robert Strange, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina, will conduct the services and preach at St. John's Church today at 11 o'clock. The many friends of the Bishop here are always pleased to see and hear him in the services of the local churches, and a hearty welcome will be given all who attend this service.

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An Approaching Marriage.

Mr. William B. Walton, son of Mrs. Wm. P. Walton, and Miss Annie Louise Marshburn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Marshburn, will be married Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, No. 609 Queen street. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. G. T. Adams, pastor of Fifth Street Methodist Church. They will live on Fourth street, between Ann and Nun. Mr. Walton is engaged in the grocery business at corner Seventh and Orange streets, and the bride-elect is a popular young lady in a wide circle of friends.

A Special Invitation

Is extended to you to open a savings account with the People's Savings Bank on Tuesday, January 2nd, the beginning of their next regular interest quarter. Make an effort to begin the new year with a bank account. **

GET A STIEFF FOR AN XMAS PRESENT THE PIANO WITH THE SWEET TONE. STANDS THIS CLIMATE BEST AND LASTS A LIFE-TIME.

ALL PURCHASES MADE ON OR BEFORE THE 30th DAY OF DECEMBER WILL BE ALLOWED DISCOUNT OF 10%. DON'T FORGET OUR PLAYER PIANOS.

CHAS. M. STIEFF

No. 213 Princess Street. S. R. COLEY, Manager.

SOCIETY

Mr. R. G. Ivey and wife, of Wallace, N. C., were here yesterday, guests at The Orton.

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Mr. J. P. Moore and wife, of Atkinson, were here yesterday, guests at The Orton.

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Dr. J. A. Stone and wife, of Little River, S. C., were here yesterday, guests at The Orton.

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Among the guests at The Orton yesterday were Mrs. Claude F. Shelton and Miss Jesse Williams, of Chadbourn.

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Miss Gertrude Orr, of Currie, was the city yesterday on her way to Council, where she has been teaching school.

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Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Johnson, of Lumberton, were here yesterday en route to Atkinson, N. C., where they will visit Dr. Johnson's former home.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Memory, of Whiteville, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Memory's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Meredith, on Second street.

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Miss Annie Fay Keith, of Currie, is spending the holiday season with her cousins, Misses Lila and Adeline Keith, No. 214 North Fourth street.

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The Red Cross Society will hold its first meetiog for the year 1912 on Thursday morning at 10:15 o'clock in the parlors of the Colonial Inn.

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Mrs. Otto Owen, of Richmond, Va., left yesterday for home after spending two weeks with the family of her brother, Rev. J. A. Sullivan, pastor of Brooklyn Baptist church.

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Miss Grace Dry, of Albemarle, and Miss Sadie Freeman, of Latta, S. C., who have been visiting during the holidays at the home of Mr. J. S. Williams, at Carolina Place, left yesterday for their home.

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Mr. E. S. Barnard has returned from Roanoke, Va., where he spent the holidays with his parents. He visited relatives and friends in other Virginia cities during his absence.

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A delightful sociable was given at the home of Mr. W. E. Yopp, No. 510 Nun street, yesterday, by Misses Emma Donnelly and Octavia LeGwin Yopp. Games were played during the afternoon and the prize was won by Miss Gibbs.

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The New Year's ball of the Howard Relief Club will be given tomorrow evening and promises to be a most pleasing and interesting social event. Music will be furnished by Mr. Fred Dock's orchestra and supper will be served during the evening. The committee on arrangements is composed of Messrs. J. H. Niggel, C. W. Polvogt, Fred Tiencken, C. J. Fick and L. W. Wessell.

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The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church, will observe the January week of prayer, beginning today, and continuing daily throughout the week. On Wednesday afternoon, at the regular hour of these meetings, Mrs. George C. Worth, of China, will deliver an address. All women interested in missions, especially the China of today, are cordially invited to attend.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. Stein entertained at their cottage on Wrightsville Beach Friday afternoon to a party of about 40 people. Among the out-of-town guests were: Miss Alice Marcuse, Richmond, Va.; Miss Irene Ash, Baltimore, Md.; Mr. Alex. Schaap, Jr., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mr. Joe Steppacher and Mr. Frank Loewy, of Philadelphia. All so fortunate as to be in the party spent a most delightful afternoon.

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Yesterday's Charlotte Observer: Mr. Richard Harris will return Tuesday from Wilmington, where he has been a guest at the home of Mrs. A. W. Wright on Carolina Heights, for the past week. One of the most brilliant events of the holiday season in Wilmington was the reception which was given by Mrs. Wright and daughters, Misses Alice and Sadie, on last Tuesday in honor of Misses Marie Grainger and the Misses Boatwright, theree of the year's debutantes. Mr. Harris will remain over for the leap year ball which is to take place on Monday evening and which will be given by the debutantes of last season."

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Mr. W. H. Banck, junior engineer in the work of raising the ill-fated battleship Maine at Havana, left yesterday for Jacksonville, Fla., after having spent the holidays in Wilmington with his mother, Mrs. Otto Banck. He will spend a few days at Jacksonville and then return to his work in Cuba. He has been in Havana a year, having had the honor to win an assignment to engineer work on the Maine, although he is not a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point. He was graduated from the North Carolina College of Agricultural and Mechanic Arts, and he has done great credit to that institution as well as to himself as a young man making his way in the world.

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Wallace, N. C., Dec. 29.—One of the most enjoyable functions of the holiday season was given on Thursday evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. William Carroll complimentary to Miss Mary Dunn, of Houston, Tex., Mrs. Carroll's sister. The guests were ushered into the beautifully-decorated parlors where each was supplied with paper and pencil, being requested to answer some very puzzling queries concerning "His Royal Highness, the Gobbler," among others this one: "Why Has a Turkey Five Reasons for Being Sad?" Several quick-witted young ladies drew for the prize, Miss Ruth Williams being the fortunate winner. The unfortunate ones were given the opportunity of redeeming themselves in a Nut Contest and as before several drew for the prize, Miss Newton being the winner. During the evening delicious fruits were served and at 11:30 the guests took reluctant leave. Dr. and Mrs. Carroll and Miss Dunn will be long remembered as ideal host and hostesses.

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NEW YEAR'S DAY AT THE GOLF CLUB

On New Year's Day the members of the Cape Fear Golf Club will have the usual golf competitions.

A 18-hole handicap for men will be played in the morning, starting after the arrival of the 10 o'clock car from town. In this event handsome cups will be offered for first and second prizes.

An oyster roast and basket luncheon will be served at midday at the club grounds.

In the afternoon after the arrival of the 2:30 o'clock car a mixed foursome handicap of 9 holes will be played for a silver cup. The presentation of the prizes will take place in the club house after the finish of the afternoon match.

Both matches of the day will be under the direction of Mr. Isaac S. Mackay, the efficient professional of the club. It is expected that a large number of players will take part in both the morning and afternoon tournaments.

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ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S RECEPTION MONDAY NIGHT

Arrangements have been completed for the annual New Year's reception to be held in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. tomorrow night and the event promises to be one of the most elaborate and enjoyable of the many affairs of the kind which have been held by the association. Invitations have been issued to the sustaining, contributing, senior and junior membership of the association inviting not only the members but their friends as well to the reception. They will no doubt take advantage of the opportunity of having part in the last New Year's reception to be held in the present building.

The Ladies' Auxiliary will have charge of the rooms and in their usual way make all who come welcome. The rooms will be elaborately decorated for the occasion with evergreens, ferns and potted plants.

The musical programme for this occasion will surpass anything that has been arranged for a like occasion in the past. This part of the event has been in charge of Miss Cannie Chasten. During the evening the orchestra from St. Andrew's church will play several selections. The programme as given below contains the names of some of the best talent in the city and the spacious reception rooms have good promise of being filled to overflowing with the members and friends of the association. During the evening refreshments will be served in the Bible Class room by the Ladies' Auxiliary. The programme follows:

Recesional ....Kipling
Chorus
Tenor Solo, "Dreams".... ..Strelezki
Mr. Frank E. McCravy
Violin Solo, "Saraband".....Bohm
Mrs. J. D. Edwards
Male Quartette ....Selected
Acme Quartette
Bass Solo, "Invictus"....Brun Huhn
Mr. H. R. Bates
Soprano Solo, "Dawn".....Strauss
Miss Gertrude Sneed
Bridal Chorus, "From the Rose Maiden".... ....Cowen
Chorus

The chorus is composed of the following: Soprano, Mrs. J. J. Loughlin, Mrs. J. D. Edwards and Miss Maud Bulluck; alto, Mrs. F. A. Muse, Mrs. B. A. Merritt and Mrs. J. D. Smith; tenor, Mr. Greene Fenley, Mr. Chas. Dushan and Mr. Frank McCravy; bass, Mr. Cecil Butt, Mr. W. B. Muse and Mr. Gilbert Foard.

The Acme Male Quartete is composed of the following: First tenor, Mr. W. R. Dosher; second tenor, Mr. Albert Dosher; first bass, Mr. W. A. McGirt; second bass, Mr. W. B. Muse.

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MARRIED AT ROANOKE, VA., HAS FRIENDS IN THIS CITY

The following from the Danville, Va., Register will be read with interest by many friends in this city:

"A beautiful but quiet wedding was solemnized in the presence of immediate friends and relatives yesterday afternoon at Roanoke Institute. Miss Julia Henderson Brewer was married to Mr. G. Frank Thomasson, the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. Cleveland Hall at 3:30 P. M. Miss Brewer is an accomplished and highly cultured daughter of Mr. John B. Brewer, the president of the Roanoke Institute and is greatly admired by a host of friends, especially in the music and art circles of the city. The bridegroom is one of the best known and most esteemed young men of Danville. Mr. and Mrs. Thomasson left on the afternoon train for the South and will spend their honeymoon visiting Florida Winter resorts, returning to this city some time in January. There were no cards."

Miss Brewer is a sister of Mrs. John H. Gore, Jr., of Wilmington.

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SMITH-JOHNSON WEDDING SOLEMNIZED AT WARSAW.

Warsaw, N. C., Dec. 30.—The Smith-Johnson wedding was solemnized here Wednesday night with a quiet elegance that suggested pomp and circumstance. Unusual care had been taken in the decoration of the Methodist Church and at the time of the wedding it presented a rare picture of beauty. The windows and walls of the building were festooned with bamboo, within the chancel there rested three arches of graduated size, the first being the smaller and the third of magnificent proportions. The first of these arches was decorated in ivy, the second in smilax, and the third in bamboo. Under the smaller Rev. J. M. Lowder stood as he pronounced the solemn words that joined Miss Daisy Brookin Johnson and Mr. Herbert Douglass Smith in the holy bonds. Back of the arches was a background of potted ferns and palms, while on two pedestals flanking the smaller arch, silver candelabra threw a soft radiance on the bridal party.

Promptly at the appointed hour, 7 P. M., the bridal party entered the church to the well known strains of Tannhauser's wedding march, played by Mrs. J. H. Newbury; they entered in the following order: Miss Sallie Smith and Mr. R. D. Johnson, Miss Elizabeth Moore and Mr. J. E. Williams, Miss Mabel Hailey, of Keysville, Va., and Mr. John L. Royall, of Norfolk, Va.; Mrs. John H. Land, of Chadbourn, dame of honor, the little Misses Fannie and Virginia Johnson, flower girls, strewing flowers in front of the bride, the bride with her father, Capt. S. A. Johnson; the groom accompanied by his best man, Mr. E. J. Hill, entered from the vestry room and met the bride at the chancel. It was a most attractive and beautiful scene as the bridal party was grouped in front of the altar and amid a solemn silence the ceremony was impressively performed.

The bride wore a gown of white satin en train, with an over-lace robe, trimmed in pearls. Her veil was caught back with a diamond Sunburst, a gift of the groom, and she carried a shower of roses and lilies of the valley. The bridesmaids wore gowns of cream messaline satin trimmed with fringe and pearls and carried carnations, the dame of honor was dressed in a gown of white chiffon over pink satin and carried Killarney roses. After the ceremony the bride and groom left on the 9 o'clock train for an extended tour to the Northern cities.

The bride is one of the most popular and attractive belles in the State, and is liked by everyone who knows her. The groom is a young man of unusually fine character, and numbers his friends only by the number of his acquaintances. He is a former clerk of the court of Duplin, and is now engaged in the cotton business at Clinton, N. C.

There were several entertainments given before the marriage complimentary to the bride and groom that were greatly enjoyed.

On Tuesday night a brilliant reception was tendered the bridal party at the home of the bride's parents on North Hill street. The guests were received at the door by Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Johnson and ushered into the receiving line, composed of Miss Daisy B. Johnson, Mr. Elbert D. Smith, Mrs. J. H. Land, Mr. E. J. Hill, Miss Mabel L. Hailey, Mr. John L. Royall, Miss Elizabeth Moore, Mr. J. E. Williams, Miss Sallie Smith, Mr. R. D. Johnson, Capt. and Mrs. S. A. Johnson.

At the parlor door the guests were received by Mesdames J. H. Newbury and Mr. H. D. Farrior, and in the punch room were Misses Susie Faison, Margaret Barden, Louise Anderson and Margaret Best. In the salad and ice cream room were Mesdames J. T. Gresham and A. B. Anderson and Misses Sallie Hill, Edna Bowden and Sallie Hussey. In this room was the bride's table, in the centre of which was the wedding cake, surrounded by refreshments in attractive shapes. The whole house was tastefully decorated for the occasion, the decorations being carried out in smilax, wedding bells and potted plants. During the evening the guests visited the gift room, and the presents were many and beautiful, being among the prettiest ever seen in Warsaw.

The bridal party were tendered two luncheons at the homes of Mesdames J. E. Johnson and J. T. Gresham, sisters of the bride.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Services will be conducted at Brooklyn Baptist Church, both morning and evening today by the pastor, Rev. J. A. Sullivan. The morning service will be at 11 A. M., and the evening service at 7:30 P. M.

—The meeting for boys at the Y. M. C. A. this morning at 10 o'clock will be conducted by Secretary Huntington. These meetings will be entered into by the boys during the coming year with added interest because of some interesting features that have been planned for the coming season.

—Both the outgoing and incoming passenger trains on the A. & Y. division of the Atlantic Coast Line were delayed two hours yesterday morning on account of the derailment of a freigh. car at Ivanhoe. No one was hurt as a result of the accident and but little damage was done.

—"The Chorus Lady" was presented at the Academy of Music yesterday, matinee and night. There was only a fair-sized audience at either performance and if presented a third time there would probably be stil fewer persons to witness it. The production was a disappointment to those who attended.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—All the offices at the Court House will be closed tomorrow, New Year's Day.

—Messrs. Edward Okenfeits and Bennie M. Jones left yesterday for Atlanta, Ga., where they will spend a few days.

—Monday being a legal holiday, the County Commissioners will not hold the regular January meeting until Tuesday afternoon.

—By deed filed for record yesterday Janie V. Ketchum transfers to James F. Mason, for $75, 28 acres of land in Harnett township, adjoining lands of Richard H. Grant.

—Mr. L. N. Jackson arrived home yesterday from New York City in response to a message announcing the illness of his mother, Mrs. L. J. Jackson, who lives at 209 Harnett street.

—Among yesterday's arrivals at The Orton were A. A. Wright and C. G. Wright, of Wallace; J. M. Commander, Florence, S. C.; D. K. Bracy, Rowland, and H. P. Dew, Charlotte.

—During the month of December there were issued from the office of the Register of Deeds 58 marriage licenses, 25 to white and 33 to colored couples. This is an increase of 13 over the month of November, when 19 were issued to whites and 26 to colored.

—Charged with gambling five negroes were arrested in the turpentine shed at corner Water and Nun streets at 2:25 o'clock yesterday afternoon and taken to the City Hall, where they were given berths to await hearing before the Recorder tomorrow. The names of those arrested are: Mitchel Davis, Dave Evans, Theodore Jacobs, Simon Brown and Chucky Sampson. Officers making the raid were Messrs. Leon George, Frank George, W. R. Applebury, B. W. Jacobs and D. W. Coleman. Officer Frank George is put down on the police blotter as a witness.

Why Shouldn't You

Begin the New Year with a bank account at the People's Savings Bank? Their regular interest quarter begins Tuesday, January 2nd, and the money you deposit there on that day will receive a full quarter's interest on April 1st. **

Attend the half-price sale at Polvogt's in their suit and millinery departments. **

A Happy New Year to All.
PLATT & HAAR

Ready-to-Wear Sale!

Look over the Special Values below, then call during this week and Take Advantage of this offering. All Coats and Suits Reduced.

Here's a Few Items:

$18.00 Value Plush Coats, $12.49; $16.00 Value Caracul Coat, $9.98; $20.00 Value Chiffon Cloth Coats, $14.49.

Suits in Fancy Mixtures, Tweeds, Etc.; a good many in this lot, $25.00 Values, $15.00; $30.00 to $35.00 Values, $19.50.

A good assortment of Suits in Blacks and Navies, to be closed out at equally Great Reductions.

Try Us on This One, First: Special Offering for 1912.

STORE CLOSES MONDAY.

Platt & Haar

WE WILL SAVE YOU A BIG DIFFERENCE IN 1912.

HALF-PRICE SALE

THE C. W. POLVOGT CO.

"THE STORE THAT'S ALWAYS BUSY"

We announce our First Cut in our Ready-to-Wear Department—Jan. 2nd to 6th.

Suits and Coats at Half Price

To close out the remainder of our Fall and Winter Suits, we will sell them at One Half the Marked Price. This sale is for One Week Only, and Alterations Will be Charged For, if Necessary. Terms: Cash.

$30.00 Ladies' Suits for	$15.00
$25.00 Ladies' Suits for	$12.50
$22.50 Ladies' Suits for	$11.25
$20.00 Ladies' Suits for	$10.00
$18.50 Ladies' Suits for	$ 9.25
$16.50 Ladies' Suits for	$ 8.25
$15.00 Ladies' Suits for	$ 7.50
$12.00 Ladies' Suits for	$ 6.00

LADIES' BLACK AND POLO COATS

AT ONE-HALF PRICE

Ladies' Black Cloth Coats, Marked $30.00, now	$15.00
Ladies' Black Cloth Coats, Marked $25.00, now	$12.50
Ladies' Black and Polo Coats, Marked $20.00, $18.00 and $15.00, for	$10.00, $9.00, $7.50

FAIR ASSORTMENT LEFT.

Millinery at Half Price

During This Week we will also close out the balance of our Ladies' and Children's Hats, trimmed and untrimmed, at One Half the Regular Price.

SPECIAL PRICES ON ART SQUARES, RUGS, CARPETS AND MATTINGS THIS WEEK.

The C. W. POLVOGT CO.

Financial and Commercial

A MARKET OF SPECIALISTS

The Last Day of the Year is Marked by Brisk Business on the Stock Exchange—Railroad Earnings.

New York, Dec. 30.—The last day of the year on the Stock Exchange brought a brisk business at rising prices. Specialtive opinion seemed to be more cheerful. It was largely a market of specialties, for while the standard stocks advanced their gains were confined to a point or less, as contrasted with upward movements of several points for the less prominent issues. The trading element took advantage of the movement in the specialties to close out some lines of the leading issues, but the market absorbed these, realizing sales easily. The stability of the list in the face of the diversion of interest to obscure stocks helped to improve sentiment.

The bank statement disclosed the expected heavy gain in cash, due of the inflow of money from interior banks.

Despite reports of a brisk holiday trade, and better conditions in many lines of business, the fortnightly report on idle freight cars showed that the surplus had virtually doubled in number within the last period. The increase extends over every section of the country. Another of the large roads reported a decrease in earnings for November. Northern Pacific's gross returns fell off $116,000, but a reduction in expenses virtually balanced this decline, leaving the net earnings little changed. Reading and Erie made gains.

The bond market was firm and active. Total sales, par value, $2,450,000. United States 4s, registered, lost ¼ and the coupon 4s ¼ on call on the week.

Total sales for the day, 165,000 shares.

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers, pfd	7¼
Amalgamated Copper	66
American Agricultural	62½
American Beet Sugar	37
American Can	11¼
American Car and Foundry	53¾
American Cotton Oil	46½
American Hide and Leather, pfd	23
American Ice Securities	18
American Linseed	11¼
American Locomotive	35
American Smelting and Refining	72½
American Smelting and Refing, pfd	102
American Steel Foundries	33
American Sugar Refining	115
American Tel. and Tel	137½
American Tobacco, pfd	103
American Woolen	25
Anaconda Mining Co	37¾
Atchison	106⅜
Atchison, pfd	101⅜
Atlantic Coast Line	133½
Baltimore and Ohio	103
Bethlehem Steel	31⅛
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	76½
Canadian Pacific	242
Central Leather	20¾
Central Leather, pfd	91
Central of New Jersey	320
Chesapeake and Ohio	72½
Chicago and Alton	16
Chicago Great Western	18½
Chicago Great Western, pfd	35¾
Chicago and North Western	142½
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	100¾
C., C., C. and St. Louis	60
Colorado Fuel and Iron	26½
Colorado and Southern	48
Consolidated Gas	139
Corn Products	10¼
Delaware and Hudson	168
Denver and Rio Grande	19⅜
Denver and Rio Grande, pfd	40⅞
Distillers' Securities	31
Erie	31½
Erie, 1st pfd	52¼
Erie, 2nd pfd	42
General Electric	153½
Great Northern, pfd	127¼
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	42½
Illinois Central	140
Interborough Met	16⅞
Interborough Met., pfd	53¼
Inter Harvester	108
Inter Marine, pfd	21¾
International Paper	9½
International Pump	33
Iowa Central	15
Kansas City Southern	27¾
Kansas City Southern, pfd	64
Laclede Gas	106¾
Louisville and Nashville	154⅝
Minneapolis and St. Louis	31
Minn., St. P. and Sault Ste Marie	134½
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	29
Missouri, Kan. and Tex., pfd	65
Missouri Pacific	39½
National Biscuit	140
National Lead	54⅝
Nat. Rys. of Mexico, 2nd pfd	35¼
New York Central	107⅞
New York, Ontario and Western	28
Norfolk and Western	108¾
North American	75
Northern Pacific	117¾
Pacific Mail	31¾
Pennsylvania	122¾
People's Gas	103⅜
Pittsburg, C. C. and St. Louis	98
Pittsburg Coal	18¼
Pressed Steel Car	32½
Pullman Palace Car	158½
Railway Steel Spring	30½
Reading	151⅛
Republic Steel	28¾
Republic Steel, pfd	84¼
Rock Island Co	24⅞
Rock Island Co., pfd	48½
St. Louis and San Fran., 2nd pfd	40½
St. Louis Southwestern	29¾
St. Louis Southwestern, pfd	70
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	42
Southern Pacific	111½
Southern Railway	28⅝
Southern Railway, pfd	70⅜
Tennessee Copper	37¼
Texas and Pacific	20½
Toledo, St. Louis and Western	13¼
Toledo, St. L. and West., pfd	34
Union Pacific	171⅝
Union Pacific, pfd	92½
United States Realty	68½
United States Rubber	47⅞
United States Steel	67¼
United States Steel, pfd	110⅝
Utah Copper	53⅞
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	54
Wabash	6½
Wabash, pfd	16⅜
Western Maryland	60¾
Westinghouse Electric	65
Western Union	78½
Wheeling and Lake Erie	3½

THE MONEY MARKET.

New York, Dec. 30.—Money on call, nominal. Time loans, easy; sixty days, 4@4¼, and ninety days, 4; six months, 4. Prime mercantile paper, 4¼@4½ per cent.; sterling exchange, steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.83.25 for sixty-day bills and at 4.86.35 for demand. Commercial bills, 4.82½; bar silver, 54¼; Mexican dollars, 46.

NAVAL STORES.

New York, Dec. 30.—Rosin, quiet. Turpentine, steady.

Charleston, Dec. 30.—Holiday in naval stores.

Savannah, Dec. 30.—Holiday in naval stores.

THE DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 30.—The cotton goods markets closed quiet and firm. Napped cottons will be opened promptly, after the turn of the year. Linens are firm. Burlaps are steady. Yarns are firmer, with inquiry.

The Man, Woman or Child.

With 25c or more can begin the new year with that strong old savings bank on the corner of Front and Princess streets. Regular interest quarter at that bank on Tuesday, January 2nd. A good time to open an account. The bank for the people is the People's Savings Bank. **

Solid gold cuff links, scarf pins and tie clasp. Lockets and neck chains are some of my leaders. J. T. Burke, the Jeweler, No. 27 South Front street. de 3-tf.

MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Navahoe, 1278, Packer, Georgetown, H. G. Smallbones.

Cleared.

Str. Navahoe, 1278, Packer, New York, H. G. Smallbones.

Str. City of Fayetteville, Core, Fayetteville, S. M. King.

Str. Belle Isle (Fr.), 1,382 tons, St. Martan, Baltimore, Heide & Co.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Nederland (Dutch), 2,588 tons, Boere, Heide & Co.

Indian Monarch (Br.), 2,818 tons, Wood, H. A. Whyte.

Hillmere (Br.), 2,239 tons, Griffiths, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Runswick (Br.), 1,940 tons; Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Bengrove (Br.), 2,389 tons, Barber, Heide & Co.

Schooners.

Wm. Thomas Moore, 261 tons, Jones, C. D. Mafflitt.

Eliza A. Scribner, 350 tons, Dodd, C. D. Mafflitt.

Mineola (Br.), 270 tons, Forsythe, C. D. Mafflitt.

Sylvia C. Hall, 285 tons, Sprague, C. D. Mafflitt.

Stephen G. Loud, 40 tons, Hart, C. D. Mafflitt; in distress.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at Port of Wilmington.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 30.

Atlantic Coast Line—2,736 bales cotton; 3 barrels rosin; 2 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—208 bales cotton.

Total—2,944 bales cotton; 3 barrels rosin; 2 barrels crude turpentine.

Total last year—4,615 bales cotton; 7 casks spirits turpentine; 78 barrels tar; 15 barrels crude turpentine.

NEW YORK PRODUCE.

New York, Dec. 30.—Flour, steady, with business slow. Spring patents, 5.00@5.30; Winter straights, 4.10@4.30; Winter patents, 4.35@4.70; Spring clears, 4.10@4.35.

Rye Flour—Quiet, 4.70@5.15.

Buckwheat Flour—Quiet.

Corn Meal—Steady.

Rye—Dull.

Barley—Steady.

Wheat—Spot, irregular. No. 2, red, 97¼, elevator, export basis, and 97¼, f.o.b. afloat; No. 1, Northern Duluth, 1.18¼, f.o.b. afloat. Options, ¼c. higher. May, 1.03¼.

Corn—Spot, steady; export, new, 68⅝, f.o.b. afloat. Futures, nominal.

Oats—Spot, nrm. Standard white, 53c. in elevator; No. 2, 53½; No. 3, and No. 4, 53; natural white, and white clipped, 51½@51½, on track. Futures, nominal.

Pork—Steady.

Beef—Steady.

Cut Meats—Steady.

Lard—Unsettled.

Tallow—Dull.

Petroleum—Steady.

Wool—Steady.

Rice—Steady.

Molasses—Steady.

Sugar—Holiday.

Coffee—Futures, steady, at a net advance of 5@8 points. Spot coffee, steady; Rio, No. 7, 14½; Santos, No. 4, 15¾. Mild, dull; Cordova, 16½, nominal.

Potatoes—Firm.

Cabbages—Steady and unchanged.

Freights—Unchanged.

Peanuts—Unchanged.

Butter—Firm.

Cheese—Firm.

Eggs—Unsettled.

Cotton Seed Oil—The market was quiet, with trading mostly in the form of evening up for the close of the year, and switched from the near to the far months. Closing prices were 3 points to 1 point higher; January, 5.22@5.41; February, 5.20@5.30; March, 5.37@5.38; April, 5.40@5.43; May, 5.46@5.47. Prime crude, 413 sales; do. Summer yellow, 5.20@5.30; do. Winter yellow, 5.50@6.00; prime Summer white, 5.25@5.80.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 30.

No Market—Holiday.

Receipts:

Spirits Turpentine	(—)
Rosin	3
Tar	(—)
Crude Turpentine	2

Receipts same day last year, 7 casks spirits turpentine; 78 barrels tar; 15 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Nominal.

Same day last year, nothing doing.

Receipts, 2,944 bales; same day last year, 4,615 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 30.)

CORN—Firm; .85 to .87½c. per bu.

PEAS—White, $2.50 per bu.

POTATOES—Irish potatoes, new crop, 80c. per bu.; yams, 60c. per bu.

BEEF—On foot, dull, .03@.04 per lb.

PORK—7c. to 9c.

WOOL—Burry, .11@.12c. per lb.; free of burr, 17 to 18 per lb.

HIDES—Green, .08 to .08½ per lb.; dry, 14 to 15c. per lb.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, old, 20c. per lb.; sides and shoulders, 14c. per lb.

BEESWAX—Firm; .27 per lb.

TALLOW—Firm; .04½@.05 per lb.

POULTRY — Turkeys, 18c. on foot. Chickens, grown, 40 to 45 per head; chickens, spring, 20@40c. per head. Geese, 65 to 70c. per head.

SHEEP—No sales.

EGGS—Fair demand, 24@25 per doz.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 30.

The North Carolina peanut market was excited and prices reached the highest point of the season. There is every indication of prices going still higher, if the present demand continues.

North Carolinas—Farmers' stock: Prime hand-picked, $1.40; machine-picked, $1.35.

Spanish—Prime hand-picked, 95c.; machine-picked, 90c.

Virginia—Prime hand-picked, 75c.; machine-picked, 70c.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 20.—Spanish—Firm at 80c. per bushel. Virginias—Firm. Jumbo, 4c. per lb. Fancy hnd-picked, 3⅝c. to 3¾c. per lb. Extra prime, 3½c. per lb.; Prime, 3c. per lb.; Machine-Picked, 3c. to 3½c. per lb.

Lightning Kills Few.

In 1906 lightning killed only 169 people in this whole country. One's chances of death by lightning are less than two in a million. The chance of death from liver, kidney or stomach troubles is vastly greater, but not if Electric Bitters be used, as Robert Madsen, of West Burlington, Ia., proved. Four doctors gave him up after eight months of suffering from virulent liver trouble and yellow jaundice. He was then completely cured by Electric Bitters. They're the best stomach, liver, nerve and kidney remedy and blood purifier on earth. Only 50c at R. R. Bellamy.

Half Price Sale at Polvogt's.

Our readers are requested to read the advertisement of the C. W. Polvogt Co., who announce their first cut in their ready-to-wear department. Ladies' suits and coats will be sold for just one-half of the marked price. Terms of sale is cash and no alterations will be made free. The trimmed and untrimmed ladies' and children's hats will be sold at one-half their former price. Sale is for one week only. **

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Holiday; net receipts, 19,608; gross receipts, 19,608; stock, 469,889; continent, 12,099; coastwise, 2,435.

New Orleans—Holiday; net receipts, 19,772; gross receipts, 19,885; sales, 955; stock, 282,983; Great Britain, 12,140; France, 6,000; continent, 10,125; coastwise, 382; Mexico, 200.

Mobile—Net receipts, 1,318; gross receipts, 1,318; stock, 91,654; coastwise, 113.

Savannah—Holiday; net receipts, 6,193; gross receipts, 6,193; stock, 288,308; continent, 7,395; coastwise, 1,207.

Charleston—Steady; net receipts, 1,053; gross receipts, 1,053; stock, 41,981; coastwise, 635.

Wilmington—Steady, 8¾; net receipts, 2,944; gross receipts, 2,944; stock, 20,363.

Norfolk—Holiday; net receipts, 5,423; gross receipts, 5,517; stock, 55,049; coastwise, 2,174.

Baltimore—Holiday; stock, 7,746.

New York—Holiday; stock, 184,012.

Boston—Quiet, 9.25; net receipts, 1,431; gross receipts, 4,837; stock, 10,121.

Philadelphia—Quiet, 9.50; gross receipts, 5,712; stock, 1,850; continent, 150.

Brunswick—Stock, 1,843.

Gulfport—Stock, 13,620.

Texas City—Net receipts, 1,049; gross receipts, 1,049; stock, 87,021; France, 12,423.

Total today, at all ports—Net, 58,791; Great Britain, 12,140; France, 18,423; continent, 29,969; Japan, 200; stock, 1,573,237.

Consolidated, at all ports—Net, 58,791; Great Britain, 12,140; France, 18,423; continent, 29,969; Japan, 200.

Total since Sept. 1, at all ports—Net, 7,199,698; Great Britain, 2,124,273; France, 657,806; continent, 2,126,969; Japan, 172,139; Mexico, 3,435.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Holiday; net receipts, 9,219; gross receipts, 9,219; shipments, 10,705; stock, 182,247.

Augusta—Holiday; stock, 88,068.

Memphis—Holiday; stock, 205,021.

St. Louis—Net receipts, 1,077; gross receipts, 4,537; shipments, 4,087; stock, 28,105.

Cincinnati—Net receipts, 1,151; gross receipts, 1,151; shipments, 1,248; sales, 300; stock, 12,319.

Little Rock—Steady, 9; net receipts, 1,340; gross receipts, 1,340; shipments, 1,178; stock, 44,860.

Louisville—Firm, 9⅜.

Total today—Net receipts, 12,787; gross receipts, 16,267; shipments, 17,218; sales, 300; stock, 560,620.

CHICAGO GRAIN.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Big changes in prices today, out of all proportion to the small amount of business involved, marked the end of the December delivery of wheat and corn. The winding up of trades in that option resulted in sending the first named cereal down for what remained of that month and hoisting the other grain up, the extreme differences from last night being respectively a decline of 2 cents and a rise of 3⅞. Otherwise, fluctuations were of a modest sort. For the list taken as a whole, the finish left wheat varying from ¼c. advance to 1⅛ off; corn, up a shade to 3⅜; oats, ⅛ lower to ⅛ higher, and hog products slaunting from unaltered figures to a gain of a nickel.

Wheat—No. 2, red, 95@97; No. 3, 94@95; No. 2, hard, 97@1.00; No. 3, hard, 94@98; No. 1, Northern, 1.06@1.06; No. 2, Northern, 1.07; No. 3, Northern, 97@1.04; No. 2, Spring, 96@1.06; No. 2, Spring, 94@1.00; No. 4, Spring, 83@95; velvet chaff, 90@94; durum, 90@1.02.

Corn—No. 2, 60½@61; No. 3, white, 61½@62; No. 3, yellow, 61@61½; old, 70; No. 4, 57½@58½; No. 4, white, 59½@61; No. 4, yellow, 58@59½.

Oats—No. 2, white, 48½@48¾; No. 3, 46; No. 3, white, 47@48½; No. 4, white, 44@47½; standard, 48¾.

Wheat:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec	94⅞	94¾	92½	93
May	90	93⅝	98⅝	99
July	94⅜	94½	94⅛	94⅜
Corn:				
Dec	65¼	65⅜	64⅜	65
May	63⅝	63⅝	63⅜	63½
July	63⅝	63⅝	63⅜	63½
Oats:				
Dec	47	47	46½	46½
May	47⅞	47⅞	47½	47⅝
July	43⅜	43⅞	43⅝	43⅝
Mess Pork, per bbl.:				
Jan	15.40	15.55	15.40	15.47½
May	15.90	16.05	15.90	15.97½
July	16.05	16.15	16.05	16.10
Lard, per 100 lbs.:				
Jan	9.10	9.20	9.10	9.15
May	9.37½	9.42	9.35	9.40
July	9.47½	9.52½	9.47½	9.52½
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.:				
Jan	8.27½	8.35	8.27½	8.32½
May	8.57½	8.65	8.57½	8.60
July	8.62½	8.67½	8.62½	8.65

The French Millinery Parlors.

Beginning Tuesday morning will offer all of their pattern hats at half price and balance of stock at a big reduction, on account of moving in their new quarters formerly occupied by the Wilmington Savings & Trust Co. **

All suits, coats and millinery at one-half price beginning Tuesday at Polvogt's. **

If Your Head Aches

You should Take the Sure Remedy

Hicks' CAPUDINE

There's a cause for every headache—Capudine reaches that cause quickly, whether it be heat, cold, gripp, or stomach troubles—and cures, even though it be sick or nervous headache.

Capudine is the surest remedy for Colds and Gripp. Feverishness, Aches and Nervousness disappear and normal conditions are restored.

Capudine is liquid—easy and pleasant to take—acts immediately.

10c, 25c and 50c at drug stores.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau.

December 31, 1911.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 42 degrees; at 8 P. M., 51 degrees; maximum, 57 degrees; minimum, 38 degrees; mean, 48 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; for the month, 3.38 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 12.5 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Rain, Sunday; Monday, clearing and colder; moderate East to South winds, becoming Northwest Monday.

Port Calendar—Dec. 31.

Sun rises	7:18 A. M.
Sun sets	5:13 P. M.
Day's length	9 hrs. 55 min.
High water at Southport	3:50 A. M.
High water at Wilmington	6:50 A. M.

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

December 30, 1911.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest Today	Temperature: Lowest Last Night.	24-Hour Precipitation 8 P. M.
Abilene	cloudy	30	30	.0
Asheville	cloudy	46	38	.06
Atlanta	cloudy	52	40	.0
Augusta	cloudy	66	42	.0
Birmingham	raining	62	44	.32
Boston	clear	34	20	.0
Charleston	cloudy	62	46	.0
Charlotte	cloudy	48	38	.0
Chicago	raining	36	32	.48
Galveston	cloudy	62	60	2.28
Jacksonville	pt cldy	72	52	.0
Memphis	cloudy	52	—	1.42
Mobile	raining	66	54	.06
Montgomery	raining	66	46	.0
New Orleans	raining	74	54	.96
New York	cloudy	36	26	.0
Palestine	cloudy	60	50	.28
Oklahoma	cloudy	18	18	.18
Pittsburg	raining	44	32	.04
Raleigh	cloudy	50	38	.0
Savannah	pt cldy	66	46	.0
Shreveport	raining	62	46	1.60
St. Louis	raining	42	36	.28
Washington	raining	42	34	.0

—1912—

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Penny Chocolates, boxes all kinds.
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Monuments, Headstones, Tiles, Mantels and Grates.

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During the Month of December

We have had the Best Trade that we have ever had in the history of our store. But looking over the store, we see piles and piles of dry goods, clothing and shoes, toys and millinery which makes me feel that my eyes are bigger than my pocket-book. I want to sell these goods, and will have a special Cut Price Sale before we take stock.

We have a beautiful assortment of Ladies' Tailor-Made Coat Suits. We bought them cheap and have been selling them cheaper than any one else. To move these Suits, we will now allow a discount of 25% on Every Suit, which is one fourth off the price.

To make it more attractive, we will also offer 25% off of everything that we have in Furs. In Toys we have everything, and on this line we will offer 25% Discount off on all—big and little.

We have about Three Hundred Silk and Velvet Turban Hats for Ladies that we will allow you 25% Discount on. An especially low price on Ladies' and Children's Flannelette Underwear. We will sell a full-sized, double-stitched nice Gown for 50c.

A BIG REDUCTION IN LADIES' SWEATERS AND MUFFLERS—One-fourth off the price. A nice line of Ladies' Felt and Cloth Hoods as low as 48c. each; nice quality. Hats that have been selling for $1.50. One yard wide Black Taffeta Silk—a good quality for 75c. per yard. 500 doz. Men's Socks that are extra good, for 10c., and we will sell them for 7c. a pair.

In Ladies' and Children's Knit Underwear we have a full assortment of sizes and styles and prices. We try to sell the best thing possible for the money.

In Children's Vests and Pants we have the small sizes that retail usually for 25c. that we will sell for 10c. now. We have a big lot of Vests and Pants that we will sell for 19c. each, that are cheap at 25c. A lot of Odds and Ends in Underwear, all styles and prices, that we will sell for 10c. each.

In Children's Bearskin Hats and Caps we have a few nice ones to close out at a low price; will give you one-third off. Come to see us for everything that you need in the Dry Goods line, and get your book filled out with stamps. We give premiums with all purchases.

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Balance of Holiday Stock at reduced prices.
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MEN "HIGHER UP" MADE PRISONERS

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leged dynamite conspiracy, harbored James B. McNamara in his home here after the explosion that wrecked the Los Angeles Times building. It is said Mrs. Munsey made an affidavit to this effect to detectives after a quarrel with her husband.

When Munsey was summoned to appear before the Federal grand jury at Los Angeles, the papers, books, and correspondence of the local iron workers' union were secured by Sheriff Sharp, of Salt Lake county, and shipped to the Federal authorities at Los Angeles. It is believed here that the mysterious box taken before the grand jury for examination some weeks ago contained these papers.

E. A. Clancey, formerly business agent of the Structural Iron Workers' Union in San Francisco, was charged with the same offense in the same indictment but he has not been arrested.

In addition to these four, five other men were named in the indictment. They are Ortie McManigal, confessed accomplice of the McNamaras, and chief aid of the Federal grand jury in gathering evidence; the McNamara brothers, and David Kaplan, and one Schmidt, alleged confederates of Jas. B. McNamara in the blowing up of the Los Angeles Times building.

Tveitmoe, Johannsen and Munsey obtained bail in the sum of $5,000 after having been held prisoners in the United States marshal's office for five hours. Lecompte Davis, one of the McNamara defense attorneys; Mrs. Job Harriman, wife of another one of the attorneys who represented the McNamaras, and John Murray, who formerly edited a labor union publication, acted as bondsmen.

A. J. McCormick, United States district attorney, declared that the government's investigation of the alleged National dynamite conspiracy was by no means ended. He intimated that besides continuing the investigation into the illegal transportation of explosives, the grand jury might take up alleged misuse of the mails to further the ends of alleged conspirators.

Concerning the indictments returned today, Assistant United States District Attorney Regan asserted that the government was in possession of conclusive evidence against most of the men arrested. McCormick said the indictments returned today involved only crimes alleged to have been committed in the Southern district of California.

The special act charged against the alleged conspirators is the transportation of explosives in connection with the dynamiting of the Llewellyn Iron Works here on December 5, 1910.

While only nine men were mentioned in the joint indictment filed, the grand jurors made provisions for the possible arrest of others by directing the phrase "and others to the jury unknown" to the true bills. The conviction of any of the persons named means a sentence of two years in the penitentiary or a fine of $10,000 or both on each of four counts contained in the indictment.

As soon as the men were arrested they sent word to Job Harriman who said he would represent them, for the present at least. LeCompte Davis, one of Clarence Darrow's assistants in the McNamara defense, who acted as a bondsman today, said he was serving in no other capacity. He did not know whether Darrow would be engaged.

THE RETAILERS SCORED

Out-of-Town Customers Brought Here by Trade Extension Movement

The Wilmington Trade Extension Association proved of material aid to the retail merchants in attracting out-of-town customers here to do their shopping during the month of December. While the wholesale feature was upheld as usual, it was the banner month for the retailers and the sales for the month amounted to approximately $6,900; fares being refunded on this amount to outsiders. Many customers had long lists of purchases recorded on the transportation checks, which were made in going from one store to another. Many of them bought the actual amount necessary to pay their fares, buying heavily and probably more than they ever bought here before at Chirstmas in order that they might secure the refund.

With every prospect of rapid advancement the Trade Extension Association will enter upon the New Year to promote the trade interests of the city both for the retail and wholesale merchants and give outsiders the advantage of trading in a city and having their railroad fares refunded.

DEATH RATE LOWERED

Statistics From the New York Board of Health

New York, Dec. 30.—Four thousand more persons are alive in New York city as the year 1911 draws to a close than there would have been if the death rate this year had been as high as it was last year, according to the statistics of the board of health made public tonight. The rate in 1910 was 15.98 per thousand. The gures estimated for the full twelve months of the present year is 15.20.

The French Millinery Parlors.

Beginning Tuesday morning will offer all of their pattern hats at half price and balance of stock at a big reduction, on account of moving in their new quarters formerly occupied by the Wilmington Savings & Trust Co. **

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SUN YAT SEN HAS CONTROL

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tions, is a heavy-set, gray-haired man, between 50 and 60 years of age. He appeared unusually large in several thicknesses of Winter robes.

Yuan Shi Kai gave it to be understood that he wanted a true referendum on the question of a Republic; he was opposed to haste, because of the danger that the Shanghai conference would not be representative. Replying to the question as to whether the Shanghai demands would be met, he said the matter was for the decision of the imperial clans. In order to carry on the administration he declared money was needed and the princes had not come forward sufficiently in that direction. He added that if the rebels advanced, the imperial troops would engage them.

There will be another meeting at the palace tomorrow of the Empress Dowager, the Premier and the Imperial princes. The only question for their consideration is that of abdicating or disgorging their riches. Yuan Shi Kai refused to abide by the agreement entered into by Tang Shao Yi, his own representative, and Wu Ting Fang, the Republican representative. He has sent several telegrams to Shanghai, actually approving only the continuation of the armistice.

Yuan indicated that he may withdraw the imperial troops, but it is evident that he does not intend to withdraw them, as demanded, within five days. He made no mention of the suggested ten days limit to the convocation of the National Assembly. With reference to the withdrawal of the government troops 100 li (37 miles) from their present positions, he said, he has no objection to this, but added that it will be impossible to remove the heavy artillery within the stipulated time. The interruption of telegraphic communication, he pointed out, will prevent notification of the several columns within the same period.

The National Assembly, which has resumed its sitting has declared against a Republic.

The Southern members, however, have absented themselves from the sessions. Reports are being circulated, casting doubt on Yuan Shi Kai's loyalty, which among the well informed, is considered beyond question, although his position is a difficult one, owing to the suspicion of the Manchus and the growing sympathy of all the Chinese toward the revolutionaries.

A Possible Minister.

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—Fung Chi Yau, a young Chinese editor, who recently returned to the Orient, and who has been mentioned as one of the possible ministers in the cabinet of President Sun Yat Sen, sent a cablegram from Shanghai today to Tong Yong Chong, secretary of the Chinese National Association of America, stating that it would take several days before Dr. Sun could decide upon the make-up of his ministry. Fung made no reference to his own chances.

The Chinese six companies here are preparing for a celebration in Chinatown in honor of the new Republic to be held a week from Sunday.

DEATH OF MRS. NORTHROP.

Passed Away Yesterday Morning at Home of Mr. C. W. Yates.

Many friends will hear with sorrow of the death of Mrs. Matilda Walker Northrop, daughter of the late Wylie A. Walker and Lydia Ann Walker, and relict of the late Mr. Samuel G. Northrop, of this city, which occurred at 6:30 o'clock yesterday morning at the residence of her brother-in-law, Mr. C. W. Yates, No. 110 North Fourth street, in the 72nd year of her age.

Mrs. Northrop only shortly before the holidays suffered the loss of her sister, Mrs. Yates, whom she has now joined in the realms beyond. She was a deeply consecrated Christian woman and for many years had been a faithful member of Grace M. E. Church. She is survived by her nephews, Mr. William K. Walker, Messrs. Jos. W. Yates, C. W. Yates, Jr., of this city, and one niece, Miss Lydia A. Yates, also of Wilmington. The bereaved members of the family have the sympathy of a host of friends in their sorrow.

The funeral will be conducted at 9:30 o'clock this morning from the residence of Mr. Yates, and the interment will be in Oakdale cemetery.

OCCUPYING NEW QUARTERS

J. W. Murchison & Co., Finished Moving Into Handsome Building

The large new brick building recently erected at the southeast corner of Water and Chesnut street by Messrs. J. W. Murchison & Co., wholesale hardware dealers, is now occupied by that firm.

The handsome building was completed some time ago and the firm has been busy a week or more removing to its new quarters from the store occupied by that firm for many years on Front street. J. W. Murchison & Co., as previously stated, will confine their business to the wholesale trade in the future and the retail feature, which has been conducted by this concern for many years on Front street, has been sold to Messrs. Peck & Holloway, who will conduct the place in the future.

The handsome new building is 66x184 feeet in size. It is built of pressed brick; was designed by Mr. Henry Bonitz and erected by Mr. Joe Schad, the contractor. The new quarters are conveniently located for rail and water transportation.

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The Southern National Bank

Invites you to become one of its customers. It has every facility for handling your account.

The Southern National Bank

TROUBLE AT THE PEACE BANQUET

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toward the function the controversy has centered.

In his letter declining the invitation made public in the late afternoon Col. Roosevelt re-iterated his declaration that it seemed to him "worse than foolish, in short, utterly hypocritical, now to support these arbitration treaties (unamended) when we have just abrogated the Russian treaty."

President Taft, in contrast to conditions attending his visit here a fortnight ago, was plentifully guarded as he reached the city and drove to the hotel. Nearly a score of "plain clothes" men were on duty within the hotel, a member of the committee having Police Commissioner Waldo to insure against any possible disorders by having a plentitude of guardians of police at hand. Outside at the various entrances were considerable details of uniformed men with many more within easy call.

SCHOONER ESTHER ANN.

Board of Survey Held on the Disabled Vessel at Southport.

A board of survey was held yesterday on the schooner Esther Ann, bound from Apalachicola, Fla., to Boston, which put in at Southport last Wednesday on account of the loss of rudder head, which disabled her. The hull of the vessel, sails and spars are all in good condition and it is more than probable that a large sea-going tug will be sent to Southport to tow her to her destination. The schooner has cargo of 650,000 feet of lumber. Cargo and vessel are valued at about $75,000. Capt. E. H. Weaver, New Haven, Conn., and Capt. W. N. Harriss, of this city, composed the board, which made an inspection of the vessel. Mr. Brewster, of New York City, representing the underwriters, was expected to arrive last midnight and after he hears the report of the board of survey he will decide whether the vessel shall be towed to her destination.

Nearly Double in Arrests.

The police blotter at the City Hall shows that the officers have been unusually active during the month of December which is now rapidly coming to a close. One can hardly believe that so many arrests have been made in Wilmington by the police during this period. The blotter at midnight showed that there have been a total of 349 arrests during the month, which is almost double the number for the month of December last year, when 177 defendants were corralled. As will be observed, only five more arrests are needed to make the number for December of this year just double what it was last December, and no doubt the officers will get this many by midnight, when the month comes to a close. During the month of November there were 188 arrests.

Vagrants to County Farm.

Four negro women were sent to the county farm for 30 days each and one negro man to the roads for a like period for vagrancy from the Recorder's court yesterday morning. The women were "Sis" Lucas, Eller Haywood, "Queen Victoria", and Sophie Austin, and the man was Walter Guion. Dick Wilson, colored, was required to pay a fine of $5 and costs for disorderly conduct. Luther Smith, colored, was found not guilty of assault upon a female.

Notice to Bondholders.

Elsewhere in today's paper will be found an official notice that holders of the first and second mortgage bonds of Eyota Tribe No. 5, Improver Order of Red Men, Inc., may present the same on Tuesday, January 2nd, 1912, to the Wilmington Savings & Trust Co., trustee, at which time all outstanding bonds will be paid in full, both as to principal and coupons to date. Interest on said bonds will cease from and after the date named.

The Man, Woman or Child.

With 25c or more can begin the new year with that strong old savings bank on the corner of Front and Princess streets. Regular interest quarter at that bank on Tuesday, January 2nd. A good time to open an account. The bank for the people is the People's Savings Bank. **

BUSINESS LOCALS

Advertisements inserted under this head one cent per word for each insertion, but no advertisement taken for less than 25c. Additional words, more than 25, one cent per word. Unless the advertiser has a regular account, all advertisements under this head are STRICTLY CASH IN ADVANCE, the amounts being too small to warrant a charge. The Star will send without charge, A. D. T. (Western Union) Messenger to any address in the city for advertisements in this department upon request by 'Phone to No. 51. A. D. T. Messenger will also call for telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Company, or for notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charge for the telegrams, but a small charge for strictly A. D. T. calls or telephone subscribers may at any time telephone their telegrams, bills rendered to suit the sender daily, weekly or monthly. For this service, call Western Union, 'Phone No. 2. But for advertisements, always call the Star office, No. 51. Copy for Business Locals cannot be taken over the telephone—but upon request Messenger will be dispatched to any part of the city for them.

FOR RENT—One furnished room to gentleman or couple without children; centrally located. Address "W2" care Star. de31-1t*

LOST—Saturday afternoon, Howard watch and locket fob, initials "T. J. S." on back of watch. Reward, if returned to T. J. Seeders, care A. C. L. R. R. de31-1t*

GEESE! GEESE!—Fresh dressed geese, finest we have had; just the thing for New Year's dinner. Call early and get one, and be happy Monday and all the rest of the year. Palace Market, 'phone 72. de31-tf

ANYONE wishing misses' and children's sewing done quickly, call 'phone 702. Special attention given to infants' sewing. de31-1t*

WANTED—Position as chaffeur and repairman for automobile. Practical experience and can give good reference. Address "Chauffeur," 911 Princess street. de31-1t*

LOST—A brown and white spotted setter puppy, named "Bab," about 4 months old. Finder will please return to J. T. Newman, 22 Market street. de31-1t*

SALESMEN WANTED in every State by old established manufacturers, to sell paints and roofings, side line, on liberal commission; pocket samples free. Goods well known and advertised; reorders credited salesmen; state territory. Thomas Mfg. Co., Dept. 19, 215 S. Main st., St. Louis, Mo. de31-1t*

WANTED—Agent to sell our teas, coffees, spices, extracts, baking powder and soaps on commission. Liberal commission to agents and special inducements to customers. Apply to Grand Union Tea Co., Norfolk, Va. de31-3t*

WANTED—Lady to travel in North Carolina for 1912. Soaps, grocery specialties, candies, etc. Good pay and tailor made suit in 90 days. Experience unnecessary. McBrady & Co., Chicago. de31-1t*

SALESMEN—Do you want $10 a day side line deal? Snappiest proposition ever sprung. Will sell everywhere. Strong enough for main line. American Factories Co., St. Louis, Mo. de31-1t*

WANTED—White messenger boys with wheels. Western Union Telegraph Co. de31-6t*

WANTED—Bookkeeper with some experience. Apply in own handwriting; give reference and state salary expected. Address A. B. M., care Star. de31-1t

ONE "NEEDHAM" CHAPEL ORGAN in first class condition for sale. $20; worth $45. A genuine bargain. 114 So. 2nd street. de31,ja3-2t*

WANTED—Girls to operate machines in shirt factory; paid while learning; can earn good money after few weeks experience. Apply to P. B. Harrah, Mgr., at Willard Bag Mfg. Co. de31-1t*

EARN $30 WEEKLY taking orders for cut rate groceries. Outfit free. Standard Grocery Co., 352 Arcade, Cleveland, Ohio. de31-1t*

WOOD—All kinds of wood at all kinds of prices to suit all kinds of pocket books, at Whiteman's Wood Yard, 7th and Harnett streets. 'Phone 850, John H. Whiteman. de31-1t*

SIDELINE traveling salesman make $50 to $75 weekly handling our latest production of advertising fans. Liberal terms. Apply at once. United States Calendar Co., Cincinnati. de31-1t*

WANTED AT ONCE—Capable salesman in every county in State to handle high grade specialty. Good opportunity for hustler. Dexter Specialty Co., Box 168, Timmonsville, S. C. de31-1t*

WANTED—Furnished room in private family; Market street or locality. Address Box 725, City. de31-1t*

SPECIAL—Fancy apples, fresh stock cranberries, Miami Irish potatoes, onions, sweet potatoes. 'Phone 1436, W. J. Kirkham Produce Co., 16 Dock street. de31-1t*

FOR SALE—Automobile, Mitchell runabout, four cylinders; good condition; will trade for real estate. Apply 418 North Third street. de31-1t*

WANTED—A few boarders at 316 Red Cross street. I have a large room, suitable for four men or four ladies; also a smaller room, with all modern conveniences. de31-1t

FOR RENT—Upper floor, new house, 4 rooms and bath; electric lights, gas and modern conveniences; suitable for light housekeeping. Apply 206 North Seventh street. de31-1t*

WANTED—Combination male stenographer and office assistant. One with experience required. Good salary. Apply in own handwriting, stating experience to "J. B.," care Star. de30-2t

WANTED—Stenographer for general office; male preferred. Address, stating experience and salary expected, "F. W. A.," care Star office. de30-3t

HOG JOWL AND PEAS for New Year's. Nice dressed turkeys and chickens; selected oysters; fancy celery and lettuce; all kinds extra good fresh meats. New native pork hams. Palace Market, 'Phone 72. de29-tf

NOTICE—To those wishing a toothless hog jowl for New Year's, can get same at Baggett Bros. Also white peas, 10c. per quart until Jan. 2nd. Baggett Bros., 115 South Front street; 'phone 175. de29-3t

BOYS WANTED — A few industrious white boys, 13 to 16 years of age, wanted to carry routes. Must be willing to rise early and work hard for an hour before business or school. Address, giving address and telephone number, "P. D. Q.," care Star Office. de29-3t

HAVE YOU A DICTIONARY?—See big, free proposition to subscribers of The Morning Star, elsewhere in today's paper. Get busy. Offer may be withdrawn at any time. Supply is limited. de29-6t

A NEW COTTAGE — Four rooms and bath; all modern improvements. No. 216 S. 9th street, for rent at once. Call at 819 Market street. de27-tf

WANTED—Cottage of 5 or 6 rooms; must be in good location, close in, and with some back yard; willing to pay good rent. Address B. B., care Star. de29-1t

FOR SALE—5 6-room houses corner 2nd and Queen streets. This property must be sold right away. We have a nice pieece of property on North Front street; will make plenty of money; call at our office, 207 North Front street, and let us tell you about it. If you have any property for sale, see us. We have several parties that want to buy city property. We also have a customer that wants to buy a nice home on some good street. Must be in a nice neighborhood. Hanover Realty Company, 207 North Front street. de8-tf

THE GILBERT — Remodeled; newly furnished; all hotel conveniences. Front and Princess streets, junction of trolley lines; cars to beach and depot; steam heat; electric lights and hot water. Excellent cuisine and good service. Rates, $1.50 a day. Liberal discount to couples and people who stay longer. no4-tf

BARGAINS in trunks, hand bags and suit cases. Uncle Charles, 15 South Front street. de7-tf

UNEQUALLED OPPORTUNITIES to learn the automobile business and get positions afterward, are offered by the Southern Automobile College, Oak Ridge, N. C. Write for particulars today. de21-12t*

NOTICE—If you want to make your wife or husband smile Xmas morning, stop by D. L. T. Capps Plumbing Co.'s, No. 130 Market street, and buy a present that will please any wife or husband. D. L. T. Capps Plumbing Co., J. B. Griffith, Mgr. de15-tf

ASK YOUR GROCER to send you a bottle of Pollte's Pepper Sauce. The sauce of purity and quality. de5-1mo

SECOND HAND square piano for sale. In good order. Cheap to cash purchaser. Address "Piano," care Star Office. se15-tf

UNREDEEMED SHOT GUNS, also a high grade line bought at bankrupt stock, Ithaca, Fox, Remington, Marlin and other makes. Save money and see Uncle Charles, 16 South Front street. de7-tf

FIRST CLASS band saw filer wants position. Best of references furnished. Address Box 75, Rocky Point, N. C. de27-6t*

FOR RENT—A nice five-room cottage, with one or two acres of land, situated on Castle Hayne road, about one-quarter mile from the city. P. Q. Moore. de27-6t

FOR SALE—Three safes, different sizes. One typewriter and desk, one large roll top desk, one long high desk. See us for bargains. Central Ice Co. 'Phones 221-222. de24-tf

HUSBANDS, Sweethearts and Wives—Save money on your Xmas gifts. Diamonds, Watches and High Grade Jewelry, at Uncle Charles', 16 South Front street. de7-tf

FROST PROOF Cabbage Plants, $1.40 per thousand, delivered anywhere in North or South Carolina; plants bunched and selected. Enterprise Plant Co., Meggetts, S. C. de22-2mo

WANTED—Salesman to sell line of Fancy Fruit Ciders in small country towns, salary $125 per month and expeness. Prefer those with experience. Red Cross Vinegar Co., St. Louis, Missouri. de17-su4t

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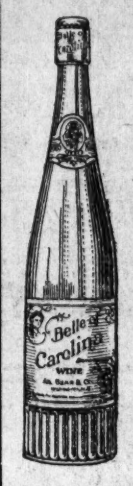

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Governor Kitchin; The Man, and The Principles That Guide Him.

By Carey J. Hunter, in the Carolina Democrat.

(The Carolina Democrat has asked the personal friends of a number of big North Carolina Democrats to write their estimates of some of the public men now prominent in the leadership of the party. This is the first article. Hon. Locke Craig will be the subject of the next sketch. Others will follow.)

On June 16, 1881, in the Farmer & Mechanic, published in Raleigh by the late lamented Randolph A. Shotwell, the subject of this sketch, then a student at Wake Forest College, was referred to as—

"a young man who bids fair to hold a prominent position in his native State."

I was at college with this young man and present at the exercises which prompted these prophetic words. They have been fulfilled. He has been heard from, first as teacher, then editor, lawyer, Congressman and Governor of his native State, successively; and yet he is only 45 years of age, in the prime and vigor of mental, moral, and phtysical manhood, with the promise of many more years of usefulness to the people who so early recognized his ability and leadership.

Why has he moved so far and rapidly along the perilous pathway of success? What chart and compass have guided him through the tempestuous political seas which have swept over North Carolina in the last 20 years? The following will, in a measure, answer these questions:

Youth and Early Manhood.

William Walton Kitchin was born at Scotland Neck in Halifax county, October 9, 1866, the second of a family of nine sons and two daughters. His father was William H. Kitchin—Capt. "Buck" Kitchin—a gallant Confederate soldier, a member of Congress and a forceful figure in the political life of the State. His mother, before her marriage, was Maria Arrington, noted for her beauty and accomplishments. He was prepared for college at Vine Hill Academy, at which he afterwards taught; graduated at Wake Forest in 1884; studied law under the late Judge John Manning at the State University; was admitted to the bar in 1887.

At 18 he became editor of the Scotland Neck Democrat, and its circulation increased 300 per cent. in 12 months. His editorials showed a firmness of conviction, a soundness of judgment and a grasp of the Democratic faith far beyond his years.

At 22 he located at Roxboro in Person county, to practice law. The people among whom he cast his lot were of the best type, industrious, thrifty, kind, cultured. It was here that he met and married Miss Musette Satterfield, who has since made a reputation as one of the most charming and popular hostesses the Governor's Mansion ever had.

Success came slowly, as it does to most young men at the bar, but to him it came surely. People were attracted by his earnestness, industry, determination, and capacity. His habits were regular, his work thorough. After four years he was enjoying a lucrative practice. He grew steadily in his profession and in the esteem of the people, who began to mark him for leadership. He always took a keen interest in politics. At 24 he became chairman of his party in Person county, and, under his leadership, for the first time in ten years, it went Democratic. In 1892 he was nominated for the State Senate from the district composed of Granville and Person, but was defeated by a fusion of Populists and Republicans.

Congressional Career.

In 1896 he was nominated for Congress in the Fifth District against Hon. Thos. Settle, the most brilliant Republican campaigner in the State, before whom Judge A. W. Graham and the late A. H. A. Williams had successfully gone down to defeat. The task of defeating Settle was difficult and especially so, as the Republicans and Populists in their fusion had allotted that district to the Republicans. No man who heard their joint canvass will ever forget their memorable debates, Kitchin was triumphantly elected and was the only successful Democrat on either the Congressional or State ticket. Since then he has known no defeat. His election in the largest and most prosperous Congressional district in the State gave courage and hope to the party in its darkest hour. He kept the lamp of Democracy burning brightly until the dawn of the new day. For 12 years and until he voluntarily retired to become Governor, he held this important position without Democratic opposition.

In every political crisis in the last 20 years he has been found in the fore-front fighting the battles of Democracy. He took a leading part in the White Supremacy and Suffrage Amendment campaigns. Before the suffrage amendment was ratified by the people it was attacked in Congress and he defended it in a speech of such wisdom and power that it not only profoundly impressed Congress, but was circulated through the State as a campaign document to the extent of 85,000 copies and had great weight in shaping public opinion for that important measure.

In Congress he took an active part in the debates and became first Democratic member of the Committee on Naval Affairs, one of the most important committees. He served on the Congressional Campaign Committee of his party for ten years. He made notable speeches on the money question, the Philippines, the trusts, the Pearson-Crawford contest, the Southern Railway subsidy, reciprocity and many other important questions. In the Congressional debates his political views were fully and fearlessly expressed, and his record is one of consistent devotion to the principles of progressive Democracy—which is but a new name for true Democracy. Long before the election of Senators by direct vote of the people became popular, he was voting for it in Congress. For years he has favored primary elections for the nomination of candidates and the publicity of campaign contributions. Among the things favored are the income tax, reciprocity, the ten-hour law for factories and mills, the licensing of foreign corporations to do business in this State, with revocation for violation of our laws, the placing of light and power companies under the Corporation Commission as railroads are now under it, requiring railroads to draw mileage on the trains as formerly, guaranty of bank deposits, good roads, drainage, etc. He has been a leader of political thought, but always faithful to the platform pledges and traditions of his party.

The Principles That Guide Him.

He has stood against special privilege, whether in the form of subsidy or a protective tariff; whether it was favoritism for his own section or that of another. He opposed a ship subsidy, and in the same spirit he opposed a fast mail subsidy for the Southern Railway, which had 360 miles of its road in his Congressional District. His position is clearly shown by this little extract from his speech in Congress on April 6, 1906, against this subsidy:

"For myself, I fail to see how any appropriation, otherwise wrong, can be made right because of its 'coming our way.' (Applause). If it is right, to support it such an argument tends to discredit it, as it is an appeal to selfishness and not to judgment."

When the public interests required Federal appropriations for his district he claimed them with a zeal and success surpassed by none. He never hesitated to oppose any appropriation which the public interests did not justify. He never sought a temporary advantage by bartering the principles of his party or the birthright of the people. He has tried to win on the righteousness of his cause, and never upon iniquitous precedents. He has opposed a protective tariff on principles, just as his party opposes it. He has been able to see clearly that protection never put a dollar in any man's pocket that was not taken out of some other man's pocket. He believes that the true end of government is the establishment of justice among men, and not to aid the greedy few in preying upon the unsuspecting many.

During his whole public career he has consistently opposed the oppression exercised by private industrial monopolies, commonly called trusts, and advocated the enforcement of the civil and criminal statutes against them, thus incurring their permanent hostility. He has stood for the strict regulation of the natural monopolies, such as railroads, and for the destruction of the unnatural industrial monopolies. On May 31, 1900 and February 6, 1903, he made speeches in Congress against trusts and to this day his attitude of hostility has never changed. In the hall of Congress and on the hustings, in his inaugural address as Governor, in a special message to the Legislature of 1909, in the last campaign, and in his message to the last Legislature he urged the adoption of stringent measures against trusts.

Administration as Governor.

The convention at Charlotte, which nominated him for Governor, sat night and day for nearly a week, and 61 ballots were taken before a nomination. The loyalty and determination of his friends, representing their people, surpassed anything ever witnessed in the political annals of the State. Those who knew him best supported him most loyally.

He went into office a free man, without a pledge or a promise to any one. He was bound only by the pledges of the party which elected him and these he has religiously kept. He has been the Governor of all the people and there has been no "power behind the throne."

A contest of this kind always engenders bitterness of long standing and this has been no exception. He incurred the hostility of a number of men prominent in the politics of the State and they have not been anxious to herald the success of his administration. It is probable that no Governor ever went into office in this State with so many to watch his every action, to misconstrue his motives and to discredit his administration. In his campaign for nomination his enemies pictured him as a wild, radical agitator, who would plunge the State into endless turmoil and confusion. Since his actions as Governor have proven such prediction to be wholly false, there are those who seek to create the false impression that since he has not fulfilled their prophesy of evil, that he has done nothing. Some have charged him with neglect of pledges and violation of principles, but in every instance when the light of truth was turned on, these charges have proved to be fabrications of fancy if not the fruitage of malice. The stern facts furnish a crushing answer.

His messages to the Legislature have been thoroughly progressive and genuinely Democratic, his last general message having been declared the most progressive message ever sent to a Southern legislature. They have shown study and research and their recommendations have been specific and serviceable. No Governor of this State has ever had so many recommendations enacted into law.

During his administration as Governor the State has enjoyed peace with prosperity and progress. In education and public health, in agriculture and manufacture, in good roads and drainage, and in other lines there has been marvelous progress which exceeds that made in any like period in the history of the State. Annual expenditures for public education have increased $750,000; for public health from $4,000 to $26,500; railroads have increased 250 miles; bank capital has increased $1,800,000 and bank resources over $15,000,000. Thirteen hundred miles of good roads have been built and over 604,000 acres of swamp land have come under our drainage laws. The State institutions and departments were never more successfully conducted. A magnificent State building to cost $250,000 is being erected in the city of Raleigh, which supplies an imperative need recognized for many years. A State school for the feeble minded has been established at Kinston, which will not only prove a great blessing from a humanitarian standpoint, but its economic value will be incalculable.

As a result, but not to the extent of his recommendation, the State law against trusts has been greatly strengthened. Contrary to his recommendations to amend, the Legislature repealed all the anti-trust law we had and enacted a new law effective only from July 1, 1911, embodying many, but omitting the most sweeping recommendations made by him. To his firm stand and his special message to the Legislature on the subject is probably due the enactment into law of the specific demand of the Democratic platform that "conspiracies by prospective purchasers to put down or keep down the price of articles produced by the labor of others, should be made criminal."

He met the concerted action of the railroad interests for an increase of passenger rates with a firm stand in behalf of the public and the present reduced rates were continued. There was no bluster, but these mighty interests had met their match. They saw they had to deal with a man from whom they could expect no special favors, but who would deal justly with them and the people whom they serve, and the many private cars which had gathered in Raleigh glided away on their several courses with their disappointed but wiser owners.

Twice in his administration have old repudiated N. C. bonds been given to States with a view to forcing their compromise or settlement. In both instances he handled the subject with such firmness and tact that the scheme was frustrated and at the same time we won instead of lost friends.

Nearly $3,500,000 of refunding bonds were successfully placed without an extra session of the Legislature, at a time when great States and cities could not sell their bonds at par on account of the financial depression. This was accomplished by an appeal to the patriotism of the bankers and other citizens of the State.

His contest with Mr. Settle and his speeches in Congress established his reputation as a debater. His speech defending the National platform in the State convention of 1902 proved his political wisdom and courage in the midst of turmoil and doubt. Every campaign for 20 years has shown him to be a worthy advocate of Democratic principles. Since he became Gov-

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COTTON HOLDING MOVEMENT

Col. Rob't. M. Thompson Will Not Press $50,000,000 Scheme This Season—Criticisms Unjust. Great Benefit.

Col. Robert M. Thompson, of New York, who proposed to Southern farmers a plan for the marketing of their cotton, which he undertook to finance, with capital of $50,000,000, has written a letter to The Columbia State in which he says that, owing to the criticisms and objections that have been made he has determined to abandon the sheme for this year, at least. Col. Thompson says:

"I have gone to much trouble and some expense to put my plan before the Southern people. It is not speculative and it has no connection with speculation. The situation is this:

"The South has had an abnormally large crop. Unless there be an abnormally large consumption a surplus must be carried over which will be a cloud upon prices all next year, and perhaps the year after, unless an unusually small crop permits the surplus to be absorbed during 1912. Manifestly, therefore, it is for the interest of the South to secure an abnormally large consumption. This can only be done by selling the cotton to the spinners at a low price. But the farmer naturally says: "Where do I come in? It is all very well to give the spinners a low price, but what do I get for the money I paid for fertilizer and for the hard work done by me and my family?"

"For some years it has been the habit of the spinners to buy cotton on call." That is, on an agreement at a price to be fixed some time in the future. The merchants who sell this cotton protect themselves by buying actual cotton in the South and selling contracts against it on the exchanges. These operations always tend to put down the price of cotton at the beginning of the season. Later in the year, and after the farmer has sold his cotton, the spinner begins fixing his price and as he does the merchant sells his actual cotton and buys back the cotton he has sold. This tends to put up the price of cotton, and the operation as a whole enables the merchant to get his cotton cheap and sell it dear. We propose to reverse this operation, for the benefit of the farmer, by buy-

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Aviation Meet!

Jan. 1 — NEW YEAR'S DAY — Jan. 1

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ADMISSION: 50c

Gates Open 2 P. M. ADMISSION 50 CENTS Events Start 3 P. M.

THEATRICAL

The Academy this week will have open house all week and will indeed offer a merry and popular attraction in the Four Pickerts. This organization is the most popular of its class that plays Wilmington and always does enormous business. So it will indeed make a fitting New Year's week attraction. The company will open its engagement with two performances tomorrow, and, as usual on a holiday, there will be reserved seats for each, which may be purchased at Plummer's.

The after-Christmas season at the Academy holds some superb attractions for theatre-goers. The one to follow the week of popular prices will be "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," one week from tomorrow, Monday, January 8th.

The Four Pickerts.

This well known organization, the strongest of the popular price class and Wilmington's favorite, will open its annual engagement at the Academy of Music tomorrow afternoon, being seen at special matinee on account of New Year's Day. The matinee bill will be one that will especially fit the festive occasion, being the merry comedy success, "Out on a Lark." Tomorrow night the company will delightfully vary matters by offering a drama with a heart to it, "The Pride of Virginia," which is something entirely new to Wilmington, and which the company has received some most flattering notices for its fine manner of presentation. Popular prices will prevail all week, and seats for both tomorrow afternoon and tomorrow night went on sale yesterday at Plummer's.

The Pickerts come to Wilmington this season stronger than ever, and with an entirely new repertoire of comedies and dramas, including several upon which the company is paying a big royalty. The specialtes are all new ths season, and, of course, include some swell vaudevlle acts by the Pickerts themselves, who are big favorites and are among the very best of vaudeville artists. The engagement here of the company promises to be a rousing success.

"Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch."

No play that has been presented in many seasons has made a more powerful appeal to the sympathies of the audience, and certainly none has proven more popular than "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch", which comes to the Academy of Music Monday night, January 8th.

The laughter and applause with which this piece has been greeted in every city this season seems to be contagious. The dear old Kentucky drama never went better than in this, its ninth season, the unctious drollery of the players giving three hours of unceasing and persistent happiness. As an entertainer, Mrs. Wiggs has no peer in her class. Of all women she is the dearest and funniest, the ideal philosopher and friend at once at broad beam of sunshine mid lowly surroundings and a benediction among all her associates. It is a play which makes a universal appeal, fits every taste and every locality.

At The Grand Theatre

The new week at The Grand Theatre will open with two interesting pictures never before seen in this city. "The Fatal Posing" is the story of a young artist who is in love with a poor girl whom he uses as a model in his efforts to win a $10,000 prize. In his ambition, he forgets the exposure to which he is subjecting his sweetheart, and she dies on the night of his success. This so blights his hopes that he returns the prize to the donor, a pathetic little story that is told well in moving pictures. The other topliner for tomorrow is "Love at Gloucester Port," in which the story of two sweethearts is related. This is a tale of the sea and is graphically told in motion pictures of the highest class. In fact, the Monday bill at The Grand will be fully up to the usual standard at this popular playhouse. Mr. Morgan will have a new song and the orchestra will be on hand as usual. All days are feature days at The Grand.

PROTEST COAL RATES

Operators Say Pennsylvania Charges Too Much

Washington, Dec. 29.—Nearly a score of bituminous coal operators from Pennsylvania, principally of the Clearfield and Somerset regions, protested vigorously this afternoon before Commissioner Lane, of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, against rates charged by the Pennsylvania Railroad for the handling of coal from the Somerset and Clearfield fields to the seaboard.

The operators contended that the rates charged to Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York were exorbitant and made an appeal for redress.

General Coal Freight Agent Matthews, of the Baltimore and Ohio, was questioned as to the competition as coal carriers between the Baltimore and Ohio and the Pennsylvania. In reply to a question as to whether, if the Pennsylvania would lower its rates on coal shipped to Baltimore, the Baltimore and Ohio would make a corresponding reduction, Mr. Matthews replied that in his opinion his company would counteract any reduction of its rival's rates b yat least a similar reduction.

"The law of competition would necessitate such action," said Mr. Matthews.

LOVE DIED; WEDDING OFF

Glamor of Title Not Enough to Hold Miss Heckscher

New York, Dec. 29.—August Heckscher, multi-millionaire, this afternoon told a reporter why his daughter, Miss Antoinette Heckscher, had changed her mind about marrying Oliver Sylvian Baliol Brett, eldest son and heir of Viscount Brett, of England.

"It was love all the way through at first," said Mr. Heckscher. "It was expected that the wedding would take place early in the Spring.

"On December 18th my daughter became fretful. We then discovered that she really did not love Mr. Brett much, even though she were marrying into a prospective title.

"When Mrs. Heckscher found this out she decided that the engagement ought to be broken, which was done Three days later my daughter and her mother sailed for Europe."

Mr. Heckscher was asked if he had arranged to settle anything on Mr. Brett. He replied that he had not; that he had received a letter from Viscount Brett, the father, saying a financial settlement was not necessary.

Senator LaFollette's speech in Cleveland on Wednesday night may be accepted as an authentic expression of his own vehement and voluminous opinions on current political issues, but where does it leave that mild-mannered body, calling itself a canference of Progressive Republicans, which met in Chicago last October and named the Wisconsin Senator as a candidate for the Republican Presidential nomination? Chicago, the city of conventions, never saw a more self-contained, and soft-stepping body than that which selected Mr. LaFollette for its spokesman and drew up a platform on which he was to stand for the Presidency. Its decorum would almost have put a good roads convention to the blush, and its declaration of principles would not have scared the most hardened "reactionary" on the Progressive Index Expurgatorius out of a cat-nap in the peacock alley of an up-to-date hotel. Is Mr. LaFollette playing fair with the distinguished Progressives who put him in nomination and with their soothing syrup resolutions in proclaiming the virtues of the initiative, the referendum and the recall, applied on the widest possible scale, and clamoring for a rule of the people, "supreme over legislatures, over government, over Presidents, over constitutions, over courts?" The most startling demand to which the Progressive conferees at Chicago were willing to commit themselves was for the direct election of delegates to National political conventions. But that seems a far cry from an initative and referendum (supervision of the work of legislatures, governors and courts and a vox populi interpretation of State and Federal constitutions. While the Chicago confefence soft-pedalled Mr. LaFollette plays the bass drum. Is he going to part company with the conference, or is the conference going to part company with him—New York Tribune, Rep.

NATIONAL HIGHWAYS.

Federal Aid to This Important End an Important Question.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 30.—In admitting unqualifiedly that the Federal government has the power to build National roads, President Taft, in his recent speech to motorists settled the question of the constitutional right of Congress to appropriate Federal funds in aid of a National system of improved highways. This declaration by Presiednt Taft, coupled with the fact that President Thomas Jefferson, whose political principles are said to actuate the party which is opposing Mr. Taft, also believed in the power of the Federal government to build roads across the States, will be brought forward at the Federal Aid Good Roads Convention of the American Automobile Association in Washington, January 16 and 17. This convention has been called particularly to discuss the subject of Federal aid, in an effort to arrive at some definite programme behind which all users of the roads can put their influence.

The necessity for getting together on this important question is indicated by the fact that some 35 different bills dealing with the subject of Federal participation in highway improvement; still others provide for the construction of particular roads, such as the proposed Lincoln Memorial road from Washington to Gettysburg, the Mother Washington Memorial highway from Fredericksburg, Va., to the National capital, and various other specific stretches of turnpike. These bills have been introduced by Senators and representatives from every part of the country, and reflect the sentiment which is growing rapidly in favor of National appropriations for good roads work.

Many of the Senators and members who have introduced these bills have consented to address the convention and explain their measures, while more than 50 other members of Congress have already promised to attend the session and take part in the discussion. The governors of several States have already taken steps to appoint delegates to the convention, while the 42 State associations and 315 local clubs affiliated with the A. A. A., as well as many business men, farmers, and other organizations, are sending delegations.

Among men prominent in public affairs, who have expressed themselves in favor of Federal Aid for good roads, is Governor Austin L. Crothers, of Maryland, who writes:

"I not only endorse such National legislation, but believe that before the present Democratic Congress adjourns it should enact laws giving most liberal financial and moral support."

Senator Jos. F. Johnston, of Alabama, says: "I am sincerely in favor of bettering the public roads, and in giving Federal aid."

These are merely specimens of some expressions from scores of public men. Among those who have promised to speak at the Washington convention, and discuss the question of Federal Aid from various standpoints, are: Senators F. M. Simmons, of North Carolina; Claude A. Swanson, of Virginia; John H. Bankhead, of Alabama, and Representative R. P. Hobson and Wm. Richardson, of Alabama; Edw. T. Taylor, of Colorado; Wm. S. Howard, of Georgia; H. M. Towner, of Iowa; Phil. P. Campbell and D. R. Anthony, Jr., of Missouri; J. J. Whitacre, of Ohio, Jas. F. Byrnes, of South Carolina; H. D. Flood, of Virginia, and J. A. Hughes, of West Virginia. Besides these others who are expected to address the convention are Champ Clark, speaker of the House of Representatives; C. S. Barrett, president Farmers' Union, and F. J. Brooks, of its legislative committee; Dr. E. Stagg Whitin, secretary of the National Committee on Prison Labor.

The convention will be held in the Hotel Raleigh, instead of the New Willard, as was planned.

PREFERS JAIL TO FREEZING.

Police Take Penniless Man's Word That He is a Criminal.

New York, Dec. 30.—Pending the arrival of officers from Atlantic City, the New York police are holding Jesse B. Adams, who last night surrendered with the remark that he would rather be in jail than freeze.

Penniless and numb with cold, he walked into a police station and said that he was wanted for embezzling $600 belonging to an Odd Fellows' Lodge of Atlantic City. The police took his word for it.

Washington, Dec. 30.—The celebration of the completion of the railway line connecting the mainland of the United States with Key West, January 21 to 26, next, will be participated in by the armored cruisers Washington and North Carolina and the scout cruisers Salem and Birmingham, of the Atlantic fleet.

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GOVERNOR KITCHIN

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ernor he has added to his fame as an orator and brought honor to the State. In his introduction of the President at Wilmington, in his welcome to the Natonal Farmers' Congress at Raleigh and in his great address to the National Teachers' Assembly at Boston—whenever and wherever he has appeared—great audiences have been thrilled by his eloquence and lifted to higher ideals.

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The man who has done these things has a commanding presence, an affable address, a gracious manner; he is an orator of the first order, a logician of rare ability, a debater of great power; but his real strength and the hold which he has upon the people of a great State are not due to any of these, nor yet to all of them combined, but to his character, which rises above all and to which these rare gifts are but embellishments. They are but the vehicles by which the character of the man has reached and made its impress upon the public. He has conserved and cultivated the gifts which nature bestowed upon him, but he has done more; he has built a character which is an example and an inspiration to young men everywhere. He has shown them what truth, honor, honesty, industry, courage and patence can do for a man when moulded together in a clean, Chrstian life. He hates deception, and spurns sophistry; he is frank and straightforward in his dealings with individuals and the public. He is a statesman, rather than a politician and calls to his aid no political "machine." He wields no "big stick" and the man has not yet appeared at whose "big stick" he cringes. He is punctual with his appointments. He has been true to every pledge and faithful in every relation of life; he is fair to his foes and loyal to his friends, he is just to all men. He is tolerant of men's weaknesses, but no man has led him into folly. He has made right and not expediency the rule of his life. In a speech in Congress he expressed this splendid creed:

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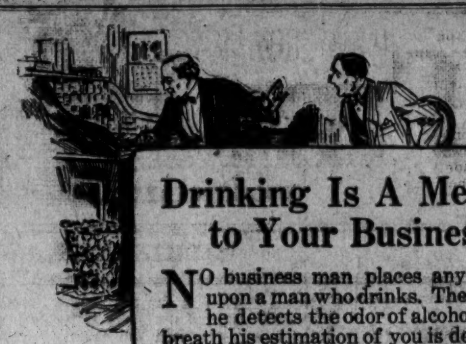

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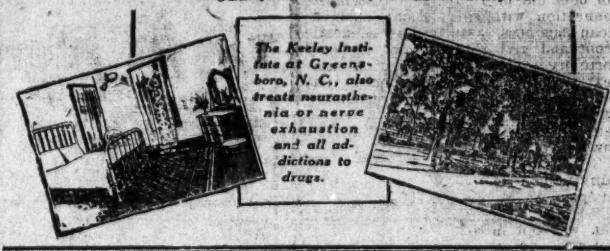

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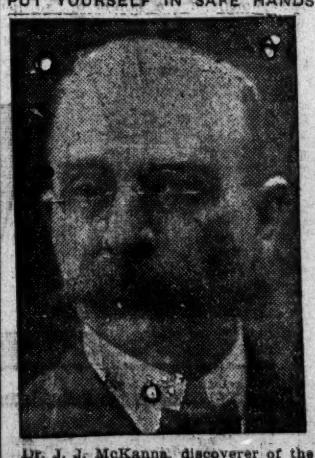

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GOSSIP OF FOREIGN CAPITALS

French Bankers Butt of Venezuelan Joke—Chester Railway Project in Turkey—Danes Friendly to United States

Willemstad, Curacao, Dec. 30.—The special session of the Venezuelan Congress has closed after perpetrating what is regarded here as the best joke since President Castro was notified that he might continue his vacation outside that country indefinitely.

The joke was on the French bankers who defrayed the expenses of the special session convened purposely to approve legislation which in the final days of the meeting was rejected.

Early last Summer the government granted a concession for the establishment of a new bank with the exclusive right to issue paper money and to the extent of $30,000,000 bolivares. The bank was granted such other advantages as probably would have resulted in the closing of the old-established bank of Caracas and the Bank of Venezuela.

This accomplished, the concessionaires took the first steamer for France, where they had no trouble in disposing of the concession to Paris financiers. But a concession in Venezuela does not become a law until it has been approved by Congress and unfortunately Congress had just adjourned and would not meet again in regular session for a year. In the meantime many things might happen. Castro might re-appear and upset the whole plan. Accordingly, the French interests made their acceptance of the concession conditional upon the agreement of President Gomez to call Congress in extraordinary session. Gomez was agreeable but could not see why Venezuela should be put to the expense involved which, for salaries and traveling expenses, he estimated at $80,000.

The French bankers thought it over and notified the Venezulean executive that they would stand the expense. Gomez, however, having had some experience with Congress and perhaps in doubt as to how the expected legislation would turn out, cabled Paris that it would be necessary to have the cash in advance.

The money was received in Caracas and the congressmen assembled.

They deliberated for a month and then instead of approving the bank concession, passed a new banking law, sounder than the old one and making the issuance of depreciated paper money impossible. Congress also decreed the coinage of 7,000,000 of bolivares of silver currency and 3,000,000 of gold. The members then left for their homes, having much enjoyed their stay at the capital and more than ever impressed with French generosity.

Most of the credit for the reaction against the paper money danger is given to General M. A. Matos, Minister for Foreign Affairs, himself a wealthy banker. For days and days meetings were held nightly at General Matos' home in his attempt to convince the other members of the government of the danger of the new concession. He was ably seconded by Dr. Jose Gil Fortoul, Minister of Education.

The projected revolution of General Jose Manuel Hernandez, who has thrown down the gauntlet to President Gomez from Porto Rico, has now lost its battle cry of "down with paper money and the bank concession." General Hernandez was a member of the Council of State and is the head of the Conservative party in Venezuela. He has had innumerable revolutions and has been beaten in all. He will probably join forces with General Alejandro Rivas Vasquez and General Aristides Telleria and use Trinidad as a base of operations.

Constantinople, Dec. 30. — The Chester Railway project has been withdrawn from consideration by the Turkish parliament, and in its present form is regarded as having no chance of success. The Grand Vizier withdrew the bill after it had been the subject of considerable debate.

The stumbling block to the acceptance of the plan by the government is two-fold. The Minister of Public Works favors a normal gauge line against the narrow gauge proposed by the Chester group. The promoters are prepared to undertake the construction of the broader gauge but want a State quarantine in that event.

The other point is that the government wishes to secure the same right of option as that enjoyed by the Chester group; that is, to possess the right to withdraw the concession after the expiration of the two years granted for the purpose of making the necessary surveys, the government paying the cost of the surveys and plans.

Outside of a small group of deputies the Chester enterprise has never been popular. It was distrusted from the first, owing to the mining interests involved, and that distrust exists to a certain degree after the full explanations made in the Chamber.

German diplomacy, which views with no friendly eye the possible establishment of competitive railways in the region adjoining the sphere of the Bagdad line has all along thrown cold water on the American project and is largely responsible for its virtual failure.

Copenhagen, Dec. 30.—That the Danes have a warm spot in their hearts for the United States was proved during the recent lecturing trip which the American Minister, Dr. Maurice Egan, made to several provincial towns.

At Odense, on the Island of Funen, where he lectured on American literature, he was received by Mayor Bloch and the members of the municipality. The lecture was closed by the audience singing the Danish national anthem and the Star Spangled Banner and three cheers were given for the United States. The lecture was followed by a banquet in the minister's honor, at which 300 guests drank a toast to President Taft.

A repetition of this reception was given at Svenborg, where Dr. Egan was received by Mayor Schmidt.

The tour of the American Minister has done much to remove the feeling of distrust entertained in some provincial cities because of rumors of American aggressions in the Danish Indian Islands. Although there is much opposition to the proposed sale of the islands, which several journals have suggested, there is no feeling of bitterness against the United States. The opposition is almost entirely economic, as it is believed that the opening of the Panama Canal will make the islands a valuable holding for Denmark.

These expectations have been increased by the news that extensive plans are being made for the improvement of the St. Thomas harbor.

Engineers have already left here for St. Thomas to make a survey of the harbor and to report on the feasibility of the plans. The matter is being pushed by the East Asiatic Company, whose active director, H. N. Anderson, has interested a number of capitalists in the plan. They plan to build one of the largest floating docks in the world to accommodate the biggest vessels afloat. The docks will be equipped with all the latest appliances for loading and unloading and every effort will be made to attract the custom of the international shipping making use of the Panama Canal.

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The well known Orientalist, Dr. Oestrup, has interested a number of Danish and Swedish financiers in a plan for the colonization of Mesopotamia. A number of journeys lately by Dr. Oestrup to that ancient land have been financed by these men.

It is believed that a small country like Denmark, without any of the entangling alliances of the great powers will be able to get valuable concessions from the Turkish government. The men behind the plan believe that Mesopotamia can again be restored to fertility by the use of scientific irrigation.

COTTON HOLDING MOVEMENT

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ing cotton on "call" from him and buying contracts on the exchange. When the farmer fixes his price, we sell these contracts. Clearly, there is absolutely no speculation on our part, nor does our plan have any relation or connection with speculation. It is a clean business, assuring us a small profit and giving the farmer the opportunity of carrying his cotton into next year at very small expense, and if acreage is reduced and a reasonable crop produced, there is a certainty of getting very much higher prices than now prevailing.

"It was, of course, to the interest of many selfish persons to misrepresent this plan, and apparently they have induced the farmer to believe that the plan was not in his interest. I have therefore practically abandoned the idea of going any further with it this year; but if the farmers will think over and study the plan, they will see that in it lies the power of materially benefiting themselves. Once they decide to make use of it, they will find all the cotton merchants ready to take it up. Upon you, and men like you, must rest the duty of educating the South. If it will adopt this method of marketing their crops and handle them properly, it will be worth $50,000,000 a year to the South.

"May I add one word about myself. I am not a speculator, never have been a speculator and never intend to be one. I say this because I believe I have been misrepresented in the South and I care sufficiently for the good opinion of my fellow citizens to wish to correct such a misunderstanding.

"ROBERT M. THOMPSON.

"1607 Twenty-third street, Washington, December 21."

LABOR MEN TESTIFY

Disinclined to Make Admissions in Case Against Associates

Washington, Dec. 30. — Several prominent labor men reluctantly testified today before Justice Wright in the contempt proceedings arising out of the Buck's Stove and Range case against Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrision. They were called for the purpose of identifying records of the proceedings of the annual conventions of the American Federation of Labor held at Norfolk in 1907, at Denver in 1908 and at Toronto in 1909, and copies of the American "Federationist," in which it was claimed were published editorials on which many of the charges were based.

In the course of their testimony most of the witnesses had frequent recourse to the responses, "I don't remember," and "I don' recall," showing their disinclination to make admissions that might prejudice the defense of their associates.

Among the witnesses were Daniel J. Keefe, commissioner general of immigration and former president of the Long Shore Men's Union; James O'Connell, president of the International Machinists' Union; Andrew Furseth, president of Seamen's Union; Daniel F. Manning, former president of Retail Clerk's Union, and Samuel DeNedrie, former secretary of the Central Labor Union of the city.

BOOZE RUN INTO SEWER

"Blind Tigers" Contributors to Harrowing Ceremonies

New York, Dec. 30.—Representatives of the State Excise Department, half a dozen policemen and various other officials took part yesterday in what they called "the dirtiest hour's work of their career," when they dumped 4,000 cases of wine, 4 kegs of beer and 15 gallons of whiskey into the sewer in the rear yard of old police headquarters, on Mulberry street.

The "boy water" thrown away today was seized in raids on various "blind tigers" by excise agents.

Montclair, N. J., Dec. 29.—The local board of health has included in its budget for next year the sum of $20,000 to be spent in fighting the Jersey mosquito.

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NEW SOUTHERN ENTERPRISES

Land Development and Other Important Projects Reported to Manufacturers' Record From Dixieland During Close of 1911.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Baltimore, Dec. 28.—Among the many Southern industrial and other developmental enterprises reported in this week's issue of the Manufacturers' Record are tne following:

Shellmound Plantation Co., Lexington, Miss., was incorporated, with $1,000,000 capital stock, to develop 20,000 acres of Leflore county land; plans include cultivating cotton, erecting cotton gins, building warehouses, etc.

Wildwood Planting Co., Money, Miss., was incorporated with $600,000 capital stock, to cultivate land, especially in cotton; plans for future include erection of cotton mill.

Llano Land and Irrigation Co., San Antonio, Tex., was incorporated with $426,000 capital stock, to develop land by irrigation.

D. H. Greene, Vinegar Bend, Ala., plans building $300,000 plant to extract chemicals, etc., form stumps and fallen timber.

Virginia Apple Co., Waynesboro, Va., was organized with $200,000 capital stock, to develop commercial apple orchard.

Acadian Coal and Lumber Co., Wheeling, W. Va., was incorporated with $200,000 capital stock to develop coal and timber land.

Ivanhoe Manufacturing Co., Smithfield, N. C., will add 6,500 spindles and accompanying machinery.

Sugar Factors Co., Ltd., of Hawaii, purchased 25 acres of land on Patapsco River, near Baltimore, as site for sugar refinery; details of latter not decided.

R. C. Webb, Hayne, La., and others, organized $200,000 compny to build sugar refinery.

Milton Cotton Mills Co., Oklahoma City, was incorporated with $250,000 capital stock to build mill.

W. S. Gray Cotton Mills, Woodruff, S. C., awarded contract for 2,400 additional spindles and other machinery.

Roanoke Lime & Stone Co., Roanoke, Va., was incorporated with $50,000 capital.

Cleceland Natural Gas Co., Clarksburg, W. Va., was incorporated with $100,000 capital to develop gas lands.

Black Lick Oil & Gas Co., Clarksburg, W. Va., was incorporated with $50,000 capital to drill for oil and gas.

Carolina-Georgia Land Co., Columbia, S. C., purchased 11,270 acres of land near Thelma, Ga., and will develop; plans include turpentining, cutting cross-ties, manufacturing lumber and finally disposing of land for t farms.

Among the buildings reported during the week were the following: $60,000 apartment house at Waco, Tex.; $20,000 apartment house at Knoxville, Tenn.; $20,000 store and office building at San Saba, Tex.; $50,000 church at Paducah, Ky.; $50,000 bank building at Sumter, S. C.; $135,000 university buildings at Gainesville, Fa.; $125,000 hotel at Lynchburg, Va.; $125,000 store and office building at Dallas, Tex.; $15,000 orphanage building at Waxahatchie, Tex.; $50,000 apartment and store building at Dublin, Ga.; $50,000 club house at Wheeling, W. Va.; $50,000 hospital at Dublin, Ga.; $60,000 convent building at New Orleans; $30,000 church at Denton, Tex.; $15,000 dwelling at Dublin, Ga.; and $20,000 dwelling at Midland, Texas.

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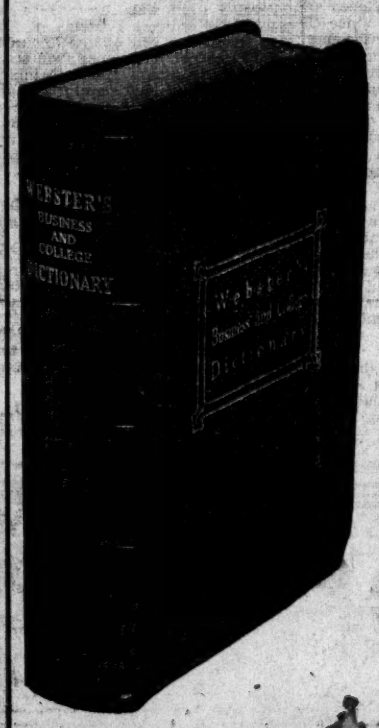

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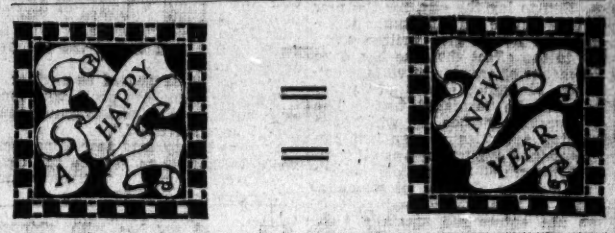

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GOTHAM WELCOMES NEW YEAR

Fifty Thousand Persons Will Celebrate Coming of 1912—Broadway to Be River of Champagne—Novel Device—Gaynor

New York, Dec. 30.—The new year of 1912 will be ushered in this city by a celebration such as is observed nowhere else in the world, and one which will make the famous feasts of Lucullus seem insignificant in comparison. For many years the passing of the old year has been the city's greatest night of celebration. This year, however, two factors combine to give it added importance. Since the festival falls on Sunday it will be impossible to secure liquid refreshments except at hotels and restaurants as a part of the dinner. For the same reason there will be no all-night liquor licenses issued. As a result the celebration will be confined to the city's great hostelries and guests will be forced to order the night's supply of champagne early. For two weeks every table in every popular resort in the lobster belt has been reserved for the inevitable "supper" at prices ranging from $10 to $50 apiece and that takes no account of the many dollars that will be spent in other ways after the game is on. It is estimated that 50,000 people will partake of th feast in that gilded mile of Broadway, beside which all the rest of the world seems tame and uninteresting on New Year's Eve. Enough food will be eaten or wasted to feed an army for a week, and the champagne consumed would float a battleship. The section in which the celebration will be most strenuous extends from Twenty-third street to Forty-eighth street and reaches its climax at Longacre Square into which Broadway, Seventh avenue, Forty-second street and Forty-fourth street pour an army of revelers and sightseers. Around the square are ranged the famous restaurants and hotels where the fun will be most uproarious. So great has been the demand for places that the capacity of the regular dining rooms and cafes was exceeded long ago, and all sorts of makeshift arrangements have been made to accommodate the overflow in ball rooms and parlors.

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That the great American hen may soon be called upon to act as her own expert accountant in addition to her duty of producing eggs is now being indicated here at the annual poultry show through one of the strangest devices in the history of chickendom. In future it will not be sufficient for Mrs. Hen to lay the egg, for the new recording device will also make it necessary for her to give written testimony to the effect that she has done so by means of crayons of various colors and recording sheets of paper which will be furnished her. The new recording device by which the egg-laying activities of any hen can be determined consists of a small steel spur affair which is attached to one of her legs, on the end of which is fastened a piece of colored crayon. When she enters the specially built nest she locks herself in, at the same time lowering a bar that later on makes an accountant of her. After the egg is safely deposited, to regain her freedom she must stoop to get under the bar, and in doing so makes a mark with the crayon attached to her leg on a piece of paper that is placed on the floor of the entrance to the nest, thus registering the fact that the hen with the red, blue or green crayon, as the case may be, has laid the egg. While the device is not likely to reduce the cost of the morning meal, it will undoubtedly work a hardship to those fowls which do not live up to their responsibilities as egg producers.

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The modern system of education as practiced in the public schools of most cities is all wrong in the opinion of Mayor Gaynor who does not hesitate to point out what, in his opinion, are its most serious defects. In the first place, according to the man who has given Epictetus renewed fame, children in the schools are made to study too hard; an attempt is made to teach a little of everything and as a result nothing is learned thoroughly. Another count in his indictment against the modern school system is that when the childre emerge from it they are unprepared and unwilling to do useful work. The boys refuse to learn trades and the girls turn up their noses at housework. "We are now bringing boys and girls out of the common schools who are taught so much and who think they know so much that they simply won't work with their hands," say the Mayor. "Unless they can get a job where they can sit on a high stool at books or at a typewriter they simply won't work." His remedy is to attempt less teaching of languages and general subjects and more drill in industrial lines and domestic economy. On one point His Honor undoubtedly will have the unanimous support of the school children themselves and that is on his assertion that their tasks should be made lighter.

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New York is soon to have the first silk-hatted police squad in its history and as a result this promises to be a difficult Winter for the clever beggars or "panhandlers" as they are known, who have been flocking to the city with the idea of reaping their usual rich reward in the most exclusive sections of the city. The new squad is being orfiganized principally to protect the Fifth Avenue and club districts from the operations of beggars of countrywide fame who every Winter through their skilful work relieve pedestrians in these districts of more than $250,000. Already consternation has spread among the select "panhandling" circles and such celebrities as "Louis the Crust Thrower," and "Jimmy the Bone Gnawer" and many others equally well-known are preparing to leave before the silk-hatted squad really get busy. When it does New Yorkers will be treated to a novel spectacle. According to the instructions issued the members will have to parade the fashionable districts clad in frock coats and silk hats in the afternoon and in full evening dress at night. They will make no arrests. They are expected to serve only as a lure for "panhandlers." When approached for a "touch" their orders are to string him along until a policeman in uniform is encountered and lodge a complaint just as an ordinary citizen would. Some of the squad wanted to balk at wearing silk hats but when the value of such headgear as bait for mendicants was pointed out they finally yielded.

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A new long distance walking record has just been established by the arrival here of Capt. H. M. Seaton who thereby completed a walking trip around the world. Capt. Seaton left New York in April, 1908, and since that time has covered 34,700 miles or ar average of nearly thirty miles a day throughout the entire period. He has accepted conveyance only in crossing the oceans and other water spaces which it was impossible to traverse on foot. If his claims are well-founded he probably has made the largest continuous journey ever accomplished by a pedestrian, including the crossing of every one of the continents.

—LONGACRE.

SPORTS AT PINEHURST

Golf in 1912---Annual Winter Tournament at Pinehurst, N. C.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Pinehurst, N. C., Dec. 30.—Significant prophesies for American golf in 1912 are the big tournaments which start the year at Pinehurst. From January 9th to 13th, the nintn annual mid-Winter tournament is scheduled with an entrance field of fully one hundred and fifty participants. Play will be under the Pinehurst system of class qualification with trophies for the best gross score, match play division winners, and runners-up and consolation winners, with special event for the overflow field.

The full week following, January 16th to 20th, will be devoted to the annual Winter tournament of the American Golf Association of Advertising Interests, one hundred or more participating, with the most novel and varied programme ever provided. Some sixty prizes valued at over three thousand dollars are offered; the meeting to conclude with the annual dinner and to be preceded on Saturday, January 13th, by foursomes in both which the members and the women who accompany them will participate.

Important trap-shooting and tennis tournaments round out the month: The fifth annual mid-Winter handicap, January 25th to 27th, and the second annual mid-Winter tennis championship, January 29th to February 3rd.

PEACE WITH BATTLESHIPS

Admiral Dewey Advises Against War But Wants Ships

Washington, Dec. 29.—Peace, but with four new battleships each year to assure it, is Admiral Dewey's wish for the future of the United States in its foreign relations. As head of the general naval board the admiral recommended that four new men of war be built but an effort probably will be made in Congress to cut the number down to two.

The admiral is quoted as saying:

"I am for peace, but peace with four more battleships as an assurance that it will be maintained."

Admiral Dewey said new ships soon would be needed to replace the Oregon, Indiana and Massacuhsetts, which now are over 20 years old.

Fill halved peaches with whipped cream and put grated macroons over the top, or dot the cream with candied violets.

Wood alcohol is excellent to clean a fine gold chain, if the chain is soaked in it for half an hour and then well brushed.

WILSON AGAINST THE FIELD

Now Agreed Upon As Status of Democratic Presidential Campaign—Battle Between Two Parties

Newark, N. J., Dec. 30.—John E. Lathrop, Washington correspondent of the Newark Evening News, sends the following to his paper:

Wilson against the field—that is now agreed upon by most observers as the status of the Democratic Presidential nomination contest for 1912.

That the fight has resolved into one between the Progressive Democrats, supporting Wilson, and the conservative or reactionary Democrats, supporting the other candidates, is the consensus of opinion here; with a mixture of the two elements in some instances, and particularly in Hearst's candidacy.

The past week saw important changes in the Democratic situation, with approximately final settlement of some of the details of the plans of the anti-Wilson forces. Beneath the structure of anti-Wilson activitiy, so it is generally conceded, is the influence of the large financial interests on Wall street, but it is also admitted that many business men and financiers of important connections favor Wilson's nomination, on the score that as President he would insist only that there be respect for the law and openness in transacting public business.

Within a week definite determination has been reached to push the candidacy of Oscar W. Underwood, of Alabama, leader of the Democrats in the House. Auxiliary to these chief features of the big business interests' plan is the usual States where they can be successfully groomed.

In Missouri the candidacy of Speaker Champ Clark will be encouraged; in Virginia there is a movement among the machine Democrats to elect a delegation to vote in the National convention for Senator Thomas Martin, head of the organization in that State.

The Kern and Marshall booms in Indiana are part of the general plan of favorite son out-bringing, the purpose being to divide the field between as many anti-Wilson candidates as possible, and thus prevent the naming of the New Jersey Governor on the first ballot.

With this in mind, encouragement is being lent to Governor Foss, of Massachusetts. Mayor Gaynor, of New York, is hearing suggestions that he might prove finally to be the man of the hour, and Governor Dix also hears the same hints. The list then lengthens to Harmon, Underwood, Clark, Marshall, Kern, Foss, Gaynor and Dix.

It is being said in Washington that some of these men, when they discover that they cannot land the nomination, will turn to Wilson. It is at least true that some of the States with favorite sons in this list will go to Wilson so soon as they learn that their own candidate is out of the running. Some of the favorite son candidates, it is expected, will withdraw before the convention.

The chief Underwood boomer, Wilson Brown, of Birmingham, Ala., who has been in New York, conferring with big business men, has told them that the State cannot be held away from Wilson when Underwood is out of the race, as it is the confident expectation he will be. Virginia sentiment is for Wilson; with Foss out, New England, it is believed, would deliver many if not most of the delegates to Wilson.

Champ Clark is now recognized as one of the active anti-Wilson talkers, insofar as it can be judged by the atmosphere of his office here, where his secretary, Wallace D. Passford, has for many months lost no opportunity to cite facts and alleged facts untriendly to Wilson.

The result of these developments has been to single out the New Jersey man is thereby proven to be the leading candidate with the whole field against him.

The rejuvenation of the Underwood boom, recently referred to in dispatches from this bureau, was still further accelerated by the visit to Washington last week of a prominent man who brought word to the Alabama leader that the influential men in New York were talking of him very strongly for the Presidency. Up to that time, Mr. Underwood has indicated desire to remain away from the dinner of the Southern Society of New York, held Saturday night, but upon receiving information that encouraged him, he reversed his decision and did not attend the dinner. He went as a more than receptive candidate for the Presidency, and his speech was prepared with the intention of not injuring whatever boom might be growing for him in the North.

HOLES IN THE AIR.

Interesting Report by Federal Authority on Weather Conditions.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Causes of aeroplane accidents and the evils of "holes in the air" were graphically described today before the mechanics' section of the American Association for the Advancement of Science by W. J. Humphries, of the Federal weather bureau.

The dreaded "holes", he said, were caused by the varying speed of different currents. Mr. Humphrey urged aeroplanists to avoid landing in hollows, to shun bright, sunny days when the earth is well heated, or thunderstorm weather," and to avoid traveling from one sort of surface to another.

He endorsed the suggestion that there are pockets in the air full of poisonous gases which partially asphyxiate the air man when he rushes through them.

QUARANTINE THOSE KISSED

Diphtheria Also Causes Dancing and and Roller Skating Barred

Lenox, Mass, Dec. 28.—Fourteen cases of dphtheria, with three deaths, in Lenoxdale, a factory village three miles from here, have caused the Lenox Board of Health to issue stringent regulations.

The Town Hall is closed to dancing and roller skating parties, in which some of the holiday visitors here had hoped to participate. Kissing is forbidden at Leonnxale under penalty of being placed in quarantine. The police have been directed to shoot all stray cats and dogs. Church socials, sewing bees and Sunday school sessions have been abandoned.

Fruit pie is very good, made with a little water and the edges not stuck together. Then, when it is baked the top crust may be lifted off and a syrup of water, sugar, spice and butter poured in. In this way the juice does not boil out in the baking and leave the pie dry.

When woolen materials become greasy, rub in some powdered French chalk such as tailors use. Allow it to remain there some hours. Then shake it out and the grease will be found to have disappeared.

PLAN OF ENGLISHMAN

Lord Gordon Devised Scheme for Big Merger of Packing Companies

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Lord Penmure Gordon, an English promoter, first porations in the United States at a suggested the merger of packing corcapitalization of $923,000,000, according to Albert H. Veeder, who today continued his testimony in the trial of the ten Chicago packers.

The English financier visited the United States early in 1902 and after directing the merger of several American industries called on Gustavus Swift and suggested a consolidation of the packing companies. Several months later at a conference at Chicago packers, preliminary plans for the merger were fixed.

AVIATOR AND BOY HURT.

Biplane Drove Into Fence—Both Seriously Hurt.

Albany, Ga., Dec. 28.—Unable to stop his biplane after landing, Aviator Thornwell Andrews, who was giving an exhibition here today, drove headon into a high fence, broke his arm and suffered other injuries. Lamar Mathies, a 10-year-old boy, who was peeping through a knit hole in the fence, was tangled in the wreckage and though injured, escaped death. The aviator and boy were taken to a local hospital.

EPISCOPAL MINISTER DEAD.

Rev. Dr. W. L. Gilhens—Former Chaplain Grand Lodge of Elks.

LaGrange, Ga., Dec. 28.—Rev. Dr. W. L. Gilhens, former chaplain of the grand lodge of Elks, and widely known Episcopal minister, died of apoplexy at his home here today, aged 87. Dr. Gilhens was born in Bridgetown, N. J. He was formerly rector of Grace Church, St. Louis, and Church of the Advent, San Francisco. He was an intimate friend of the late John Bigelow. Interment will take place at Beaufort, S. C., next Sunday.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 29.—Lena, the daughter of David C. Wells, of Hinesville, died last night at the railroad station at Hinesville just before being put aboard a train to be sent to Savannah. She had been terribly burned during the afternoon at her home, her dress catching fire while she was rendering lard. She ran nearly half a mile to her father, who was at work in the field, but before he could put the flames out she was burned over almost her entire body.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Dec. 28.—"It's what may be expected from an overcultivated age" was the opinion expressed by Frederick Stock, of Chicago, regarding the operas "Salome" and "Elecktra" in a paper read today before the National Music Teachers' Association in annual convention here. Mr. Stock did not defend operas of the "Salome" type, but classed them as the antural outgrowth of an age which he characterized as over-cultivated.

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 29.—As their mother looked on two brothers fought till one of them dropped read at Wheat, Roane county, today. After the tragedy, Jacob Hembree surrendered. He said his brother Hess abused his mother by his violent language. Jacob upbraided his kinsman, who it is declared, drew a knife. Before the mother could step between the two men Jacob fired. His brother dropped dead.

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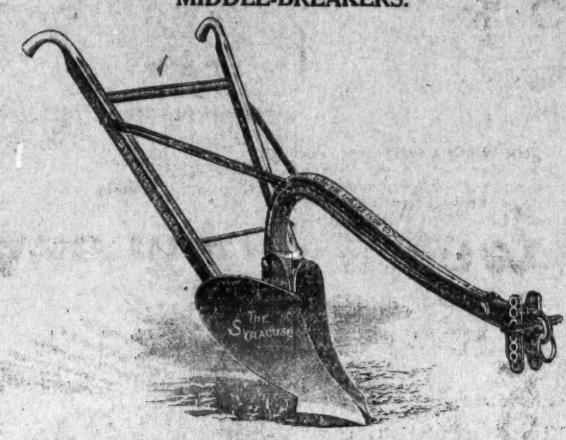

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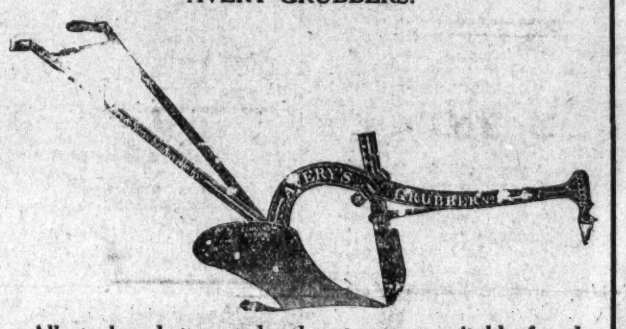

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